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INTRODUCTION.

St. Osmund was the nephew of William the Conqueror, being the son of Henry Count of Seez, by Isabella, daughter of Robert, Duke of Normandy. Herman, his predecessor as Bishop, held the two sees of Ramsbury and Sherborne, which were united at Old Sarum in 1075. Osmund succeeded Herman in 1078. The Cathedral at Old Sarum may have been begun by Herman, but the greater part of it at any rate was built by Osmund, who not only built the Cathedral, but provided for its service by forming a Cathedral Chapter of Secular Canons. He modelled his Chapter upon that of Bayeux in Normandy and endowed it with lands, of which part had belonged to the Old Episcopal sees of Ramsbury and Sherborne, and part was his own property as Earl of Dorset, having been bestowed upon him with that title by William the Conqueror. For a time Osmund was Chancellor to the King, and he was employed in the compilation of Domesday Book. He also, according to tradition, arranged the offices or services known as the "Use of Sarum," which "use," in the later form that was probably the work of Bishop Richard Poore, was afterwards adopted by the greater part of England.

The memory of St. Osmund seems to have been highly venerated from a very early period. His chasuble, and a broken pastoral staff which had belonged to him, are mentioned among the treasures of the Cathedral in 1222, and so early as 1228 Bishop Richard Poore and his Chapter presented a petition for his Canonization to Pope Gregory IX., who thereupon issued a commission of enquiry into the merits of his life and miracles.

The process of Canonization in the mediæval Church was as follows. Upon the receipt of a petition for Canonization the Pope ordered an enquiry to be made, and issued such a commission as is mentioned above. When the report of the Commissioners had been received, a formal process was drawn up, and three Cardinals (usually Bishop, Priest and Deacon, and of three

different nations[a]) examined the evidence and reported upon it to the Consistory. The Pope in Council then considered the alleged miracles one by one, and decided whether the life of the candidate had attained a sufficiently high standard of holiness to merit Canonization. If this examination was favourable to the petition the whole matter was submitted to the Archbishops and Bishops then at Rome; and if all were agreed, in another Consistory the place and time of publication of the Bull of Canonization were announced.

No result was arrived at by the proceedings in 1228, and subsequent efforts made a century and a half later, in the time of Bishop Ralph Erghum, met with no better success, partly, no doubt, owing to the differences which existed between the Bishop and the Chapter and partly to the Papal schism.

Bishop Halam (1408—1417) presented a fresh petition, and although the consideration of it was arrested by the death of the Cardinal to whom it was referred by Pope Gregory XII., the matter was not allowed to drop, and in 1416 John Chandler, the Dean (who succeeded Cardinal Halam as Bishop of Salisbury in 1417), summoned a Chapter to meet on the 4th of May for the express purpose of making arrangements to press forward the claim for the desired Canonization (Pountney Reg., Salisbury, p. 49).

On the appointed day, after the "Missa de Sancto Spiritu" had been sung by the Dean at the High Altar, the Dean and Canons, with the chaplains of Chantries and other ministers of the Church, "et alii quam plures in multitudine copiosa," proceeded to the Chapter House, where Richard Ullerston, S.T.P., who had at one time held the office of Chancellor of the University of Oxford, preached a sermon setting forth the merits of Bishop Osmund and his claims to Canonization. This sermon, written upon paper by Ullerston's own hand, as is particularly mentioned, is inserted in the Chapter Register, and is thought to be of sufficient interest to be printed in an Appendix. There cannot be many instances of a sermon nearly five hundred years old existing in the original manuscript of the preacher.

Appendix II.

Ways and means were discussed, and, after several meetings

[a] In this case two of the Cardinals were Priests and the third a Deacon. Gabriel Condelmieri (afterwards Pope Eugenius IV.) does not appear to have been created a Cardinal Bishop until later.

and adjournments, an Act of Chapter was made on the 22nd of July, by which the Canons agreed to pay annually for seven years a tenth part of the income of their prebends, according to the ancient valuation, towards the expenses of the Canonization, and also to appropriate to the like purpose the entrance fees of Canons who took up residence during the same period.

According to the original scheme of St. Osmund every Canon was obliged to reside constantly, except when in attendance upon the King, the Archbishop, or the Bishop, with leave of absence, if necessary, for four months in the year when engaged upon the business of the Cathedral or of his own prebend. Difficulties arose owing to the great expense of residence, and it was not every Canon who was able to build himself a house of residence in the Close, so the strict rule came to be relaxed, and the time of compulsory residence was shortened; but in order that the absence of the Canons should not entail any neglect of the services of the Church, each Canon kept a competent deputy or Vicar to discharge his duties when he was absent. It was open to every Canon to reside if he chose, and the Communa, or Common fund, was divisible among those that did so, who, it was considered, "bore the burden and heat of the day." Thus the non-resident had his prebend, and the resident his prebend and his share of the Communa as well. Since, however, few were able to bear the expenses involved by full residence, we find sometimes notices of canonical houses being left unoccupied, no one being willing to accept them. By degrees the Communa became increased by oblations, obits, and gifts, and the position changed, so that in the place of a tendency to avoid residence there arose a general desire among the Canons to reside. This led to the invention of various devices to hinder the taking up of residence, because the admission of a new resident reduced the share of the Communa received by those who already participated in it. A rule was consequently made that every Canon who took up residence should give upon his entrance a series of costly entertainments to the Bishop, the Dean, and his fellow Canons. These entertainments were afterwards compounded for by money payments, which varied at different times, until by an arrangement made in January, $14\frac{28}{29}$, it was settled that one of the chief dignitaries upon coming into residence should pay one hundred pounds and one hundred shillings, and a Canonicus simplex one

hundred marks and one hundred shillings. The hundred pounds and the hundred marks were divided among the other residents, the hundred shillings, in each case, went to the Vicars and the Choristers. Of course it was intended that those who had taken up residence should really reside and perform the services of the Church; but the same tendencies which had formerly led the original body of Canons to shirk residence began before long to exhibit themselves in the smaller body of residentiaries, the number was gradually reduced, and the period of residence shortened. Residence is now regulated by Act of Parliament, and in the place of the full body of Canons intended by S. Osmund to be continually resident and present in choir, we have four Canons, who are only bound to reside one at a time for a period of three months each.[a]

To return to the proceedings in 1416. Two receivers were appointed, and it was agreed that the Canons' contributions should be paid on the Purification and Michaelmas Day, and should be put into a chest with two keys, of which each receiver kept one.

There is no record of the payments, but it is to be presumed that they were regularly made, as we find that action was taken within a few years from the date of the Act of Chapter; a petition was presented, and in 1424 three Cardinals, under a commission from the Pope, began their examination of the evidence. The principal part of this book consists of two collections of documents, both of which are preserved in the muniment room of Salisbury Cathedral. Part I. contains the record of the examination of evidence above mentioned, and copies of many documents, the whole being formally certified by a Notary Public and dated in December, 1424. This is a parchment book of seventy-six folios, on the cover of which is written "Registrum in causa "canonizacionis beati viri Osmundi olim Saresbiriensis Episcopi "in Anglia." The pages measure $14\frac{1}{2}$in. by $10\frac{1}{4}$in., of which the writing occupies about $9\frac{1}{4}$in. by $5\frac{1}{2}$in.; broad margins are thus left upon which are written contemporary notes giving a summary of the different documents, and a few others by later hands, including those of Richard Drake, Chancellor of the Cathedral (1663—1681), and Bishop Seth Ward (1667—1689).

[a] For much more on the subject of residence see Freeman's History of the Cathedral Church of Wells and Jones' Fasti Ecclesiae Sarisberiensis.

After a preliminary notarial statement, the petition of Bishop Chandler and the Dean and Chapter is set out in full. The petitioners recount the claims of Bishop Osmund to canonization, particularly calling attention to the foundation of the Chapter, to the endowment by him of the dignitaries and canons, to his gifts of books and ornaments for the Cathedral, to the rules which he made for the government of the church, and to the many miracles which were wrought through his merits. The petition then recites the former application to Pope Gregory IX., and the issue by him of a commission to the Bishops of Bath and Coventry and the Abbat of Stanley to inquire into the miracles, and how the record of the evidence which they took was preserved in the archives of the Cathedral. It is then shown how it was owing to the supineness of those entrusted with the conduct of the business and the vicissitudes of the times that no further progress was made until the time of Pope Gregory XII., who, upon the petition of Bishop Halam (as mentioned above), issued in March $14\frac{11}{12}$ a commission of enquiry to Franciscus Huguccionus Urbinas, Archbishop of Bordeaux, presb. Cardinal SS. Quatuor Coronatorum, who died in 1413 before completing his task. Finally, the then present Bishop of Salisbury and the Dean and Chapter, in order that "Thesaurus tempore absconditus Christifidelibus ostendatur "et tamquam lucerna lucens ad aliorum exemplar et instructionem "Christifidelibus pateat," presented a further petition to Pope Martin V., which was supported by letters from the King, Henry V., to His Holiness and the College of Cardinals. In consequence of this petition a fresh commission was issued to the Bishop of Trieste, then Papal Nuncio in England, and the Bishops of Winchester and Hereford, and thereupon the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter beseech the Holy Father to complete the Canonization, and to enroll the name of Osmund in the catalogue of saints. p. 2.

There then follows a long record of formal proceedings, including the appointments of Johannes de Scribanis as proctor for the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, and of the Abbat of Bindon and the Prior of Breamore as delegates or deputies for the Commissioners.

The whole history of the matter is again set out, and the delegates of the Commissioners make their report.

They report that they have personally examined the docu-

mentary evidence preserved in the archives of the Cathedral, the record in Higden's Policronicon, and the statement and petition presented to Pope Gregory XII., and have had authentic copies made of them, and have taken the evidence of witnesses as to the
p. 28. miracles, and they send the whole to their principals the Commissioners.

This inquiry by the Abbat and Prior occupied from the 18th of January $14\frac{23}{24}$ to the 12th of May following.

The copies of the documents examined then follow, among the most curious of which are the certified copies of the evidence of the witnesses to the miracles, taken from the records preserved in the archives of the Cathedral.

p. 35. The evidence of the first witness relates the cure of a case of rupture, or hernia ; that of a case of necrosis of the lower jaw ; and the recovery of a paralytic man who was wont to lie at the gate of Salisbury Castle (Old Sarum).

p. 36. The second witness corroborates the first as to the cures of the rupture and the diseased jaw-bone, and gives further particulars of the cure of the paralytic. He also says that he knows of more than a hundred cures of tooth-ache.

p. 37. The third witness confirms the account of the cure of the diseased jaw-bone, and deposes to the cure of another case of rupture, and confirms the evidence as to the cures of tooth-ache. He also says that whilst praying at Bishop Osmund's tomb he has noticed a most delicious odour to issue from between two stones.[a]

The fourth witness confirms some of the above-mentioned miracles, and adds that in the case of the diseased jaw-bone the dead bone fell away while the sufferer was rubbing his jaw upon the tomb.

The fifth witness, who was Sub-dean, gives further particulars of the cure of the paralytic man. He tells a curious story of how he had been absent for some time, and upon his return found the paralytic man, to whom he had been accustomed to give alms as he went in and out of the gate, walking in the Cathedral. The Canons of the Church who were present wished to sing the Te Deum in honour of the cure, but had not dared

[a] The "odour of sanctity" was more than a figurative expression. The dead body of a holy person was believed actually to emit a sweet-smelling odour.

to do so on account of the general interdict which then lay upon England. In their doubt they asked the advice of the Sub-dean, who, after satisfying himself as to the performance of the miracle, caused the Te Deum to be sung "sub silencio."

The sixth witness, a priest, repeats the story of the cure of the paralytic, with the addition that it had been revealed in a vision to the sick man, that he would be made whole if he was carried to the tomb of Bishop Osmund. He also says that the witnesses were examined by the Chapter at the time, and that he himself deposited the evidence in the treasury of the Cathedral; and he gives a glimpse of the troubles of John's reign by adding that the documents, with many others, were lost "tempore hostilitatis." p. 38.

The seventh witness was he who had formerly given shelter to the paralytic man; he gives further particulars of his sufferings and cure, and confirms the story of the vision.

The eighth witness was a woman who had lost the power of suckling her child, and recovered it after praying for relief "pro meritis et amore Osmundi episcopi." She also confirms the story of the miraculous cure of the paralytic man, and of the vision that appeared to him, and adds that the Succentor made a sermon upon the occasion. p. 39.

The ninth witness was the husband of the last, and confirms her testimony. p. 40.

The tenth witness, a widow named Margaret, tells of the recovery of a woman named Julia, who was mad, and rent her clothes, and spat upon the Cross. The mad woman was brought to the tomb of Bishop Osmund, and remained there for four or five nights, and so was cured. She was still living, and paid a yearly visit to the tomb. The witness also says that she saw another case of a mad woman who was cured in the same way; and being asked when it happened, she says that it was during the time of the interdict, as neither were the bells rung nor the Te Deum chanted. She also speaks of a girl who was mad being restored to her senses at the tomb; and says that she herself was in like manner cured of pains in the legs; and that once she saw the lights about the tomb extinguished and relighted by themselves, when there was no one there who could have relighted them, nor was there any other light near.

The eleventh witness confirms what the tenth said as to the cure of the mad people.

p. 41. The twelfth witness deposes, that one day when he was sitting irreverently upon the tomb of Osmund the Bishop, he was suddenly seized with a severe headache, so that it seemed as if his eyes would start out of his head. Upon going thence home to dinner he was in such pain that he could not eat. His companion asked him why he ate nothing; he replied, "I have a "very great pain in my head." "When," said the other, "did "that pain seize you?" "To-day, when I was sitting upon the "tomb of Osmund the Bishop;" and his companion said, "Miserable man! go quickly and pray the saint that he forgive "you your lack of reverence." And forthwith he went, and, whilst he was praying devoutly and with tears, he was cured. This witness also tells of an ancient sacristan named William who had often seen Bishop Osmund, in the night time, go to the altar to cense it.

pp. 41, 42. The next five witnesses speak of Alice the daughter of Richard Bremmore being cured of madness when she was brought to the Bishop's tomb.

pp. 42, 43, 44. The next six witnesses recount the circumstances connected with the restoration to life of a child who was apparently drowned. It seems as if the recovery of the child was certainly assisted by the sensible action of two women, who wrapped him in blankets and kept him near a fire. Here there is a curious mention of the making of a candle of the same length as the child, which was offered at the tomb of the Bishop when his assistance was invoked.

pp. 44, 45. The five following witnesses depose to the recovery of two boys, who were mad; and the twenty-ninth, and last, gives an account of the restoration of sight to a woman who had already fruitlessly visited many other shrines.

The evidence of all these twenty-nine witnesses was taken, as mentioned before, from the certified records which had been preserved among the archives of the Cathedral.

p. 45. Then follows a copy of a letter from Dean William de Wanda (1220—1236) and the Chapter, thanking Pope Gregory IX. for his attention to their petition. No bishop's name is mentioned in this letter, so it was probably written between May, 1228, when Bishop Richard Poore was translated to Durham, and May, 1229, when his successor at Salisbury, Robert Bingham, was consecrated.

Osmund's foundation Charter is then set out at full length, with all the signatures, and an elaborate description of the Royal Seal; which is followed by an account of the foundation and endowment of the Cathedral Chapter, and the composition of the consuetudinary "quo fere tota Anglia utitur et Wallia et eciam "Hibernia." It is also stated that Osmund wrote a life of St. Aldhelm, the first Bishop of Sherborne, and that "libros scribere "ligare et illuminare non fastidiuit." p. 46.

Then follows, at full length, the "Institucio Osmundi," which is explanatory of the Consuetudinary and defines the positions and duties of the Dean, Precentor, Chancellor, and Treasurer, the Archdeacons, the Subdean and Succentor, and the other Canons.[a] p. 50.

The next document is a schedule of the ornaments given by Osmund to the Cathedral, which is followed by the passage from Higden's Policronicon, referring to Osmund and his many memorable works. In the Introduction to the Osmund Register (Rolls series), Vol. I. p. xiv., Canon Rich Jones quotes a part of this passage as being from Brompton's Chronicle and written within a hundred years of Osmund's death, and consequently quoted by Higden from Brompton. There were, however, two John Bromptons Abbats of Jervaulx, and the late Mr. Henry Bradshaw was of opinion that the writer of Brompton's Chronicle, from which Canon Rich Jones quoted, was the later Brompton, who lived in the XVth century, and that he quoted Higden. In that case the authority for the passage dates from the middle of the XIVth century, and not from the XIIth, as Canon Rich Jones supposed. p. 53.

We then have the "proposicio," or statement, made by the Archbishop of Bordeaux to Pope Gregory XII. in 1411; in it are recounted the virtues and merits of Bishop Osmund, as before, and the desire of the Bishop (Halam) and the Dean and Chapter for the issue of a Commission of enquiry. p. 55.

After this come the depositions of witnesses to miracles taken upon their personal examination, the former evidence of the same nature having been supplied from the archives of the Cathedral.

The first witness, John Golde, the Chaplain of the free chapel within the Royal Castle of Salisbury, and formerly a Vicar in the p. 60.

[a] For full information as to the Consuetudinary and the Institucio see "The Use of Sarum," by the Rev. W. H. Frere. Cambridge, 1898.

Cathedral, speaks first of the ancient traditions of Osmund's foundation and endowment of the Cathedral Chapter, and of his compilation of "The Use of Salisbury." He then mentions a cure of gout which was within his own knowledge, and the restoration of a maniac to his senses. In this last case the sufferer placed his head and his hands "in quodam foramine "eiusdem tumbe." On the bench between the south aisle and the nave of the Cathedral there is a tomb which is called that of Lord Stourton, who died in Queen Elizabeth's time. The tomb is obviously some centuries older than that, and it has been suggested that it may form part of the original tomb of St. Osmund. There are three "foramina," or apertures, in the side quite large enough to admit a man's head and shoulders, and apertures of this kind were made in shrines and tombs of saints for the purpose of exhibiting relics. John Golde then deposes to two cases of recovery from drowning, and a cure of headache through the merits of Bishop Osmund, and finally to the general reverence paid to his memory, and how the people flocked to his tomb for the cure of blindness, lameness, and other infirmities, and to the widespread desire for his formal canonization.

p. 59. The second witness merely confirms John Golde's testimony. The third speaks of the resuscitation of a drowned child, a recovery from fever, and the restoration of sight lost by an accident.

p. 60. The fourth witness is a woman, who tells how, two years before, upon the anniversary of Bishop Osmund, her daughter Agnes, fourteen years old, fell from a high place upon a spit, hot from the fire, which had been carelessly left point upwards. The spit entered the lower part of the girl's stomach and came out between her shoulders. The mother pulled it out, and she and her husband and neighbours fell on their knees and prayed to God, the Virgin, and Bishop Osmund, for the restoration of the life of the girl, whom they thought to be dead, vowing a solemn visit to the tomb of the Bishop. In a short time the girl revived in ten days she was well, the solemn visit to the tomb was duly made, and a short time afterwards the girl became a nun in the Convent of Amesbury, where she was still living in good health The mother's account is confirmed by her husband John Bromley two of the neighbours, Matilda Stubbys and Nicholas Bray, and the girl herself.

The ninth witness, Lawrence Fyton "generosus," relates how, when he was living with Richard Wyche, a Canon of Salisbury, the Canon's servant, John Hoggys, fell so seriously ill that he was thought to be dead. The Canon and his Chaplain, Symon Longe, in their grief, called upon God, the Virgin, and Osmund the Bishop, and placed money upon the body of the sick man, vowing to give it as an offering to the blessed Osmund. Immediately upon this vow being made John Hoggys rose up, and the next day paid a solemn visit to the tomb. p. 62.

The tenth witness, Thomas Adekyn, after confirming the testimony of the former witness, tells of the cure of what seems to have been a case of cramp, and is confirmed by the eleventh and twelfth witnesses. p. 63.

The thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth witnesses speak of an accident which happened when the villagers were playing at quoits at Larkestock (Laverstock). There is another account of this miracle in one of the Chapter Act Books (Harding fo. 25). Richard Wodewell threw a quoit which struck a girl named Cristina Cerlee upon the head. Richard Wodewell's own evidence implies that he with others remained praying by the body of the injured girl, and vowing a solemn visit to Bishop Osmund's tomb; the other account says that he fled to the Cathedral for safety and protection, "saying that he had killed a girl." The girl, however, recovered and lived for six years afterwards, the solemn visit to the Bishop's tomb was paid, and Cristina Cerlee there made an offering of the quoit. pp. 64, 65, 66.

The sixteenth witness tells of the same miracle, and of how Ralph Selby, a Canon of Salisbury, recovered from illness upon praying to God and Osmund the Bishop. p. 66.

The seventeenth witness corroborates some of the former witnesses, and tells how he was cured of a defect of sight. p. 67.

The eighteenth witness gives an account of the cure of a man who had been stabbed, and is corroborated by the nineteenth, who was present when the wounded man and he who had stabbed him paid a visit to the tomb, and deposited there the dagger with which the wound was given. p. 68.

John Dygon, LL.B., the twentieth witness, tells how when George Louthorp, Canon and Treasurer of the Cathedral, was so ill as to have lost the power of speech, he, the deponent, paid a secret visit to Bishop Osmund's tomb to pray for him, and how p. 68.

the sick man thereupon recovered. Dygon proceeds to tell a story which only rested on tradition. While Osmund the Bishop was still living, a certain man who lived near Salisbury had been on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, and on his return was waiting for a ship at Jaffa, or Joppa, when there appeared to him in his sleep a most beautiful woman, who said to him, "Whence art thou, "and of what nation?" he replied, "I am an Englishman and live near the city of Salisbury." She then asked him "Dost thou "know that good man Osmund the Bishop of Salisbury?" and he answered "I know him well." Then the woman again said "Take this letter, sealed by my hands, and carry it to thine own "land, and give it to the same good Bishop Osmund, with these "words, 'Thy mistress salutes thee and has sent thee this letter "from Jaffa.'" And she gave him a sign of good faith, touching him with her hand upon his bare breast, insomuch that the mark of each of her fingers remained during the whole of his life upon his breast. And when he awoke he saw the letter in his hand and the marks upon his breast, and forthwith found himself in his own country, and near to the City of Salisbury, and that through the merits and prayers of the said good man Osmund the Bishop. And forthwith he went to Osmund the Bishop, and gave him the letter, and showed him the marks of the fingers impressed upon his breast.

p. 70. The twenty-first witness, Peter Benham, the Succentor, corroborates the previous witness, as does the twenty-second, John Hamme, who adds that the pilgrim belonged to the village of Bemerton, and upon his awaking found himself by the Hospital of St. John, near the City of Salisbury.

The twenty-third witness agrees with those preceding him.

pp. 70, 71. The twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, and twenty sixth witnesses gives an account of the recovery of a child that was apparently drowned.

p. 71. The twenty-seventh witness, John Combe, of Quidhampton, tells how, ten years before, his neighbours were playing at ball with great clubs (was this an early form of Cricket?) in the village of Bemerton, when they quarrelled over the game. The witness interposed and tried to make peace, when one of the players struck him with his club, breaking his head and right shoulder, so that he lay sick and unable to hear or to see, or to move his head or his arm, for three months and more. At length there

appeared to him, as he lay in pain, a man clothed in a white garment and shining so brightly as to illumine the whole house, who told him to make a model of his head and shoulders in wax, and to mark them with wounds similar to his own, and to go to Osmund the Bishop and make an offering of the wax model, and pray to him, and he should be made whole. And as soon as he awoke he felt relieved, and recovered his sight and hearing; and the same week he arose from his bed and went to the tomb of Bishop Osmund, and there offered prayer and thanks for the recovery of his health. And the fame and report of this had been, and was still, rife in the village of Quidhampton and the neighbourhood. This story and miracle are corroborated by the twenty-eighth witness.

The twenty-ninth, Thomas Prydews, of Amesbury, relates how his little boy of six years old fell upon a knife, which he had in his hand, and was wounded in the breast, so that he was thought to be dead; but upon prayers for his recovery being offered to God and Bishop Osmund, with a vow of a solemn visit to the tomb in Salisbury Cathedral, the boy opened his eyes and moved his lips, and upon his mother putting a few drops of drink into his mouth, he revived and within a short time recovered. Alice Prydews, the boy's mother, corroborates her husband's testimony. p. 73.

The thirty-first witness relates the recovery of a boy from drowning, and is corroborated by the two following. p. 74.

The thirty-fourth witness, William Hendyng, of Laverstock, was cutting a thorn tree at Farnham, bending it towards the ground, when it suddenly sprang up, and a sharp thorn pierced the pupil of his right eye, and he lost the sight of both eyes. And immediately, thinking upon the good Bishop Osmund, he prayed to God and the blessed Virgin and the said Osmund upon his knees, in the place where he was hurt, for the recovery of his sight. And within four days the sight of both eyes was fully restored. This witness is corroborated by Walter Masseday, of Laverstock, who had already given evidence in the case of the girl who was hurt by a quoit. p. 75.

The thirty-sixth witness says that his wife was cured of tooth-ache through prayer offered at the tomb of Bishop Osmund.

The thirty-seventh witness tells how his servant, who had since become his wife, was cured of a sudden sharp pain in her leg (very likely a ruptured muscle) by a visit to the tomb, where an p. 76.

offering was made of a candle of the same size as the body of the woman.

p. 77. Gervase Brode, a friar, the thirty-eighth witness, relates the cure of a madman, whose hands were bound with fetters. As in a former case, he placed his hands in one of the "foramina" of the tomb, when the fetters fell off and he was cured.

p. 78. The next miracle relates to a change in the colour of the dye in a dyer's vat.

p. 79. The fortieth and forty-first witnesses both say that they were cured of long-standing illness through the intervention of Bishop Osmund.

p. 80. The forty-second tells how Thomas Rylee was sick almost to death, when he suddenly opened his eyes and called thrice upon Bishop Osmund; and being asked why he so cried out, he replied that Osmund the Bishop had thrust the end of his staff down his throat and so cleared it and healed him.

p. 81. The forty-third witness, John at Bargh, "armiger," relates how he and several of his neighbours were riding home from Salisbury, when Walter Romse was thrown from his horse and dragged by the stirrup. The witness and the others called for help upon God and Osmund the Bishop, and immediately Walter Romse's foot was released from the stirrup, and he was so saved from death. And the witness adds that he was told in a dream to come and offer his evidence.

p. 82. The forty-fourth witness was cured of a long-standing attack of gravel through prayer to Bishop Osmund.

id. The forty-fifth, Juliana, the wife of John Gardener, of Downton, had a little boy who was holding a sharp stick in his mouth, when he fell, and the stick pierced his palate almost to his brain, so that he seemed to be dead; but upon prayers being offered to God and Bishop Osmund he revived. She also tells how one of her neighbours was miraculously cured of a sudden effusion of blood, and is corroborated by her husband, the forty-sixth and last witness.

p. 83. Thus thirty-three miracles were deposed to by forty-six witnesses, making, in all, with the written records of the earlier miracles, fifty-two miracles attested by seventy-five witnesses.

I have thought it worth while to refer at length to these miracles to show how St. Osmund was regarded and venerated as a saint many years before he was actually canonized. Much

stress was laid upon this thirty years later when the final and successful effort to obtain his Canonization was made. Formal notarial certificates follow, and citations of persons wishing to oppose the Canonization, and the final petition of Johannes de Scribanis, the proctor for the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, that the whole process may be submitted to His Holiness the Pope, to the end that he may complete the Canonization. There is then, at the end of all, a notarial certificate or verification of the whole of the foregoing documents, which brings Part I. to an end, the date being December, 1424.

Between the date of Part I. and that of the commencement of the documents contained in Part II. there is an interval of between twenty and thirty years.

The letters in Part II. give some information as to what occurred in connection with the proposed Canonization during this period. There is also in one of the Chapter Act Books (Hutchins, p. 125), a copy of a letter which gives a short account of how the matter progressed, or rather did not progress. This letter was written by Andrew Holes, Chancellor of the Cathedral and representative of King Henry VI. at the Court of Rome. The letter is dated from Florence on the 31st of August, 1442. Andrew Holes acknowledges the receipt of letters from the Dean and Chapter asking him to use his influence to further the Canonization, he also acknowledges the receipt of the sum of 1000 ducats to be expended upon the business if he can prevail upon the Pope, Eugenius IV., to make good any defects in the former proceedings and proprio motu to Canonize Bishop Osmund. Holes encloses instructions (unfortunately missing) that he had given to Simon Houchyns, the Chapter Clerk and emissary of the Dean and Chapter. He says that what they wish him to try to prevail upon the Pope to do, is out of the question; that he had seen Adam de Moleyns, the lately elected Dean of Salisbury, who had agreed to go with him to the Pope; that Adam de Moleyns had afterwards told Simon Houchyns that he had seen the Pope alone, and that, upon his mentioning the subject of the Canonization, His Holiness had asked him if he wished for his death, as it was well known that the death of the Pope usually closely followed the enrolment of a new saint in the Calendar; that he, Andrew Holes, with Simon Houchyns, had

afterwards had an audience of the Pope, and had found that what Adam de Moleyns had said was not true, and that he had not said a word upon the matter to the Pope, and that in Holes' opinion De Moleyns wished to obtain the 1000 ducats from the bank without doing anything; that they had pressed His Holiness to complete the Canonization upon the report of Cardinal Beaufort, Cardinal Kempe the Archbishop of York, and some other English Bishop, which the Pope had said was out of the question, and a thing "maior et grandior quam Papa facere posset;" that at last the Pope had consented to commit the matter to three Cardinals, a Spaniard, a Frenchman, and an Italian, because those commissioned should be Cardinals of three different countries; and he begs the Dean and Chapter to send him money, and a fresh appointment as their proctor, cancelling that already existing in which apparently De Moleyns was associated with him, as under his present instructions and powers he could not use the 1000 ducats already sent, and he evidently wished that Adam de Moleyns should be no longer his colleague. Adam de Moleyns the Dean being absent from England the revocation of the old and the issue of the new appointment would rest really with his locum tenens and the Chapter, otherwise it would seem strange to ask the Dean and Chapter to act apparently in opposition to the Dean. The end of the letter is concerned with the writer's private affairs, and in writing of them he again discloses his distrust of De Moleyns, and shows his confidence in Nicholas Upton, who succeeded him as one of the agents at Rome for the Dean and Chapter in the conduct of the business.

Not long after this Andrew Holes returned to England. In 1446 Adam de Moleyns was made Bishop of Chichester. Richard Leyot succeeded him in the Deanery of Salisbury, but died in 1449, and was followed by Gilbert Kymer. In the following year Richard Beauchamp, Bishop of Hereford, was translated to Salisbury, and the new Bishop and Dean entered at once with great vigour into the scheme for obtaining the honour of Canonization for their patron and founder, Bishop Osmund.

At the date of the commencement of the documents contained in Part II. (1452), Nicholas Upton, who was now the Precentor, and Simon Houchyns, had been sent to Rome as proctors for the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, and a large part of the documents consists of copies of letters which tell how they

fared in the conduct of the business with which they were entrusted.

The MS. of Part II. consists of a few original documents and of contemporary copies of the correspondence which passed between the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter and their agents at Rome, and of copies of the accounts of the receipt and expenditure of money and of other documents relating to the business of the Canonization.

The copies of correspondence, &c., are written upon thirty-eight leaves of paper, measuring 16¼in. by 11¾in., and the original documents, some written on parchment and some on paper, were inlaid upon sheets of the same size under the supervision of Sir E. M. Thompson at the British Museum about twenty-five years ago, when the whole, with the wrapper in which they were kept, were bound together into a volume.

The wrapper is a sheet of parchment measuring thirty-five inches by nineteen, and is written on one side with a copy or exemplification of a decree of Richard Young, Bishop of Rochester 1404—1418, under a deputation from Pope John XXIII., made in the matter of a dispute about burial fees between Robert Valaunce, Rector of the parish of St. Peter Sandwich, and Thomas Hadlowe, the Prior, and his brethren of the Carmelite Priory of St. Mary Sandwich; the date of the document is the 2nd of January, 1411.

Upon the back of the wrapper the title which is prefixed to Part II. is written in letters of about half an inch in length, and there are several other notes and memoranda. The paper of Part II. has suffered much from damp and age. Of some of the leaves only fragments remain, and parts of the others are almost illegible. I have succeeded in deciphering nearly the whole, and in excuse for the few blanks which I have been obliged to leave[a] I must quote the words of Sir Edward Bysshe, Clarencieux, who examined these documents when, in 1654, he printed Nicholas Upton's book, "De Studio Militari." In the preface he refers to Upton's employment at Rome in the business of the Canonization, and says, "Epistolas super hoc negotio conscriptas "aliquis in libello contulit, qui in loco humido aut ad parietem "recens dealbatum repositus, foramen per medium habet.

[a] Dotted spaces indicate that the paper or parchment is actually torn away and missing.

" Charta quae ad oras incolumis mansit, situ et temporum " injuriis adeo est attrita, ut vel perspicacissimos oculos fugiat." Bysshe then quotes passages from some of these letters, which shows that they are those to which he refers, and it will be readily understood that the lapse of nearly two hundred and fifty years since By she wrote has not increased their legibility.

Nicholas Upton was certainly one of the most considerable men of the Cathedral body in the middle of the XVth century. He is said to have been a native of Downton, near Salisbury, and to have been born about the year 1400, to have been admitted as a scholar of Winchester College in 1408, and of New College in 1413, he became a fellow of the latter in 1415, and retained his fellowship until 1424. In 1429 he received no less than 23 votes out of 57 in the election of a Warden of New College to succeed Warden Bowke. Upton served in the French wars under Thomas Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, and was present at the siege of Orleans when that nobleman was killed, and was the executor of his will. After the death of the Earl of Salisbury he entered the service of Humphrey Duke of Gloucester, and taking Holy Orders was, in April 1431, collated to the Prebend of Dyndre in Wells Cathedral, and in the October of the same year, to that of Maior Pars Altaris at Salisbury. This preferment was doubtless obtained through the influence of the Duke, who was a " brother " of the Church of Salisbury (see note p. 96). In 1443 Upton became Prebendary of Wildland in St. Paul's Cathedral, and on the 14th of May 1446, was collated to the Precentorship of Salisbury. Other ecclesiastical preferments which he held at different times were the benefices of Chedzoy Somerset, Stapleford Wilts, and Ibberton Dorset. He was also Warden of the College of St. Nicholas de Valle Scholarium (or College of Vaux), at Salisbury. He lived in a house, which he is believed to have built, at the extreme north-west angle of the Close of Salisbury, and died in the summer of 1457.

Nicholas Upton was the author of a book called " De Studio Militari,"[a] which is curious and interesting. This book treats of all the duties of a Herald in war and in peace, of nobility and titles, the government and regulation of armies, and Armory, as it existed before the foundation of The College of Arms.[b] The

[a] Edited by Sir Edward Bysshe, and published in London 1654.
[b] The late Mr. Henry Bradshaw held that the science of Armory died with

"De Studio Militari" is divided into four books, which are described as follows. "In prima parte tractatur de milicia et "nobilitate. In secunda vero de bellis et actibus exercitus in "eisdem. Tertia pars ponit nobilitatem colorum in armis "depictorum. Et in quarta ponuntur regule per quas colores "Armorum et ipsa Arma clarissime discernuntur." Bysshe believed that Nicholas Upton was also the author of another book upon Heraldry called "Tractatus de Armis"; this book was written under the name of Johannes de Bado Aureo, and was printed by Bysshe in the same volume with the "De Studio Militari." There is certainly a great similarity in method and arrangement between the two books, and constant verbal agreement, which, however, is not a very strong argument for identity of authorship, and Upton in the "De Studio Militari" says that in his youth he had written a book upon the same subject (Armory) as that of which he was then treating, and that his earlier book was full of errors ("utinam omnes copie de illa lectione mea "extracte mecum essent: quas protestor me antea non dormi- "turum quousque ignibus consummassem,"), and he specifies the mistake he had made in condemning the colour green as being dishonourable, which mistake is to be found in the "Tractatus de Armis," but the internal evidence of the date of the composition of the "Tractatus de Armis" does not quite agree with the date assigned to the birth of Nicholas Upton. When Upton first went to France is not certain, he distinctly implies that he served there during the reign of King Henry V. (De Stud: Mil: pp. 75 and 130), if so it was probably about the year 1419, since he is recorded in the rolls of the Steward of Hall of New College as being resident during some part of every year from 1415 to 1422, except from 1418 to Michaelmas 1420, for which period there is no roll existing.

Nicholas Upton was a man of strong personality, as appears both from his letters and from the accounts of Chapter meetings in the Salisbury Chapter Act Books. He tried hard to check the licence which had been allowed to grow up in connection with the custom of the Boy Bishop; he detected and exposed a fraud

the conclusion of the Wars of the Roses and the foundation of The College of Arms. He always spoke of the claim of the College to regulate and grant Armorial Bearings as a direct contravention of the true principles of ancient Armory. (Life p. 371.)

which had been imposed upon the Dean and Chapter by an erasure in a deed; and whenever there was any important ceremony to take place in, or in connection with, the Cathedral, he took the lead in making all the necessary arrangements. This was to some extent his duty as Precentor, but it is evident that his brother Canons placed great reliance upon his good judgment and knowledge of ceremonial, qualifications which very likely led to his appointment to the Precentorship. That in later life, many years after his retirement from service abroad and his adoption of the peaceful life of a Churchman, he was not wanting in personal courage, is shown by the way in which, with one companion, he faced a mob that seriously threatened the life of Lord De Moleyns (afterwards the third Earl of Hungerford), and conducted him in safety within the gates of the Close of Salisbury (Burgh Reg., p. 1). In 1451, Upton, in conjunction with John Cranborne, made a survey of some of the Chapter Estates, two copies of which are in the Cathedral muniment room.

The letters and documents in Part II. are printed in the order in which they are placed in the MS., which is not strictly chronological; for instance, the first of all is almost the last in date, but was given the place of honour when the collection was made, probably because it is an original letter from Pope Calixtus III. to the Bishop of Salisbury.

p. 94. The first letter from Upton and Houchyns was addressed to the Bishop, and announces their arrival at Rome on the 27th of June, 1452. They immediately waited upon the Archbishop of Tarentum, from whom they evidently expected to receive much assistance, an expectation that was not afterwards fulfilled. The next day they paid a visit to William Gray, afterwards Bishop of Ely, and at that time a resident in Rome, and a great favourite with the Pope Nicholas V., from the similarity of their literary tastes. Their object in visiting Gray was to ask his help in obtaining the documents recording the evidence which had been previously taken. Being a "brother" of the Church of Salisbury, Gray willingly promised his help, but seemed doubtful of their success in obtaining the evidences; but from the next letter it appears that he had been able to procure for them what they wanted.

p. 97 On the 16th of July Houchyns alone writes to the Bishop of Salisbury and gives an interesting account of the first interview which

Upton and he had with the Pope. His Holiness knew nothing of the matter, and they had to tell him all that had been done in the time of his predecessors, and to explain the causes of the delay that had taken place since the former application was made. To secure a continuance of the good offices of Gray, Houchyns begs the Bishop to write to him to thank him for what he had already done, and also to Thomas Candover, who had been instrumental in obtaining the wished for documents; he also desires that the Chancellor of Salisbury, Andrew Holes (the former representative of Henry VI. at the Court of Rome), should write to the Pope, who had asked after and expressed great confidence in him. Then we have the first of many appeals for money, of which Upton and Houchyns seem to have been continually in want, and a notification that they will not take up any letters sent to them unless the carriage has been paid. No one, he says, will lend them a ducat, and although they might borrow from the bank, twenty five per cent. would have to be paid for the accommodation, which they think too heavy a price. Houchyns then begs that the Archbishop of Tarentum should be urged to press the matter on, as already he seems to the two proctors not to be giving much attention to their business, and they know that the letters which were delivered to the Pope have not yet even been opened, much less read. A list is then given of the documents which they have procured containing the evidence collected at the former enquiry, and the letter finishes with a grievous complaint of the great hardships which the writer has to endure, and of the expense that he is put to in keeping up a proper show of dignity, as there is no one of any account about the Court who does not keep his horse and servant, and he cannot always go on foot, and in fact would rather neglect his business than kill himself with overwork. He therefore begs for money, as he cannot live upon the allowance which it had been agreed to give him, and he must also be supplied, at the cost of the Church of Salisbury, with expensive clothes such as are usually worn at Rome, since no man goeth a warfare at his own charges. He adds that he lost two horses upon the journey, and threatens that if he is not granted supplies he will return home and give up the whole business.

The next document is a petition to the Pope from the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter. This petition was not drawn up at *p. 101.*

Salisbury by the ostensible petitioners, but by Upton and Houchyns at Rome, and a copy sent home by them. The petition recapitulates all the proceedings in the time of Pope Martin V., and states that the proposed Canonization had been approved by twenty-six of the most notable doctors at the Court of Rome, and that nothing was wanting at the death of the Pope but the actual sentence of Canonization. The cause of the delay is again explained, and the Pope is asked to commit the matter to the College of Cardinals, with instructions to take it up again at the point where it was dropped, or to issue a commission "ad partes" to Cardinal Beaufort and other Bishops.

p. 103. The Dean and Chapter reply to Upton and Houchyns on the 23rd of August, and undertake to pay the carriage of their letters in future, but are surprised at the charge being made as the letters were sent through their bankers. They do not approve the petition of which they had received a copy, the facts are misrepresented, the twenty-six doctors were not all resident at Rome, but were scattered about in different parts of Italy, they object to the Commissions proposed in the latter part of the petition, and point out that the proctors have not adhered to their instructions (of which unfortunately there is no copy) and forbid them to draw up any further petitions without legal advice, and desire that in future all letters sent home should be signed by both proctors.

p. 105. Then follows a copy of a letter from Andrew Holes to the Pope, written in accordance with Upton's and Houchyns, request.

p. 106. On the 6th of August the two proctors write to the Bishop of Salisbury, begging him to press the Archbishop of Tarentum to exert his influence in their favour. They are most desirous that this should be done because the common report is that the Archbishop had undertaken to promote the Canonization of Anselm of Canterbury, and that he had been paid two hundred marks for doing so. The Archbishop seems to have been an adept in making excuses. He first told the proctors that it was advisable to wait until certain Cardinals had left Rome, and a few days afterwards informed them that it was useless to expect the Pope to move in the matter until there were more Cardinals at Rome, and that they must have patience.

By the advice of the Archbishop the proctors consulted an advocate of the Consistory Court, Andreas de Sancta Cruce, and

left their documents with him, and instructed him to draw up a petition; he did so, but declined to deliver it to them or to return their documents until his fee was paid. They write that they have no expectation of getting a ducat from the Archbishop, and say that the only chance of getting their business completed is to send them money, because "quamdiu sonitus pecuniarum " in curia cessat negociorum expediciones omnino cessant."

The next letter is from Simon Houchyns alone to Bishop Beauchamp, and is dated the 10th of August. He complains of delays, and tells the Bishop that, to recover the documents left with Andreas de Sancta Cruce, he has paid him four ducats of his own money; that de Sancta Cruce had then advised him as to the best course to pursue, and particularly recommended that further letters should be obtained from the King, the Queen, and the Lords, both spiritual and temporal, testifying to the way in which the people flocked to Bishop Osmund's tomb, and to the continuing exhibition of miracles, and that those who had written before should not fail to remind His Holiness of their former letters. Moreover, when Houchyns told Andreas de Sancta Cruce of the great estimation in which Bishop Osmund was held by both high and low, and how they wished, without waiting for the Papal authority, to exhume his body and place it in a shrine and to venerate him as a Saint, de Sancta Cruce strongly advised that this should be mentioned in the letters which were to be written, as it would stimulate His Holiness to complete the Canonization, because such a proceeding would incline England to separate from Rome, and of that the Pope was much afraid. This advice of de Sancta Cruce is noteworthy and curious, and it seems to imply that Nicholas V. foresaw the possibility of the separation a hundred years before it actually took place. p. 108.

Houchyns was further advised to obtain letters from the Universities, about which there would brobably be no difficulty, as the Dean of Salisbury, Gilbert Kymer, was Chancellor of Oxford, and the Bishop of Lincoln, John Chedworth, who had been a Canon of Salisbury and Archdeacon of Wilts, had great influence at Cambridge where he had been Provost of King's College. Above all things Upton and he must have money, and the writer beseeches the Bishop to press the business forward so that it may be completed before another summer comes, as they both suffered severely from the heat.

p. 114. The next few letters treat chiefly of money matters, but from a long letter, in English, from the Dean and Chapter to Upton, it appears that they were informed that the Pope was in very bad health, and they doubted the wisdom of incurring expense, which might be rendered useless by his death intervening before the Canonization was completed. The contributions of the Canons from their Prebendal Incomes seem to have been paid fairly regularly, but some were in arrear, and the Chapter particularize the different items of extraordinary expense that they have had to meet, which had crippled their corporate resources so that they cannot possibly find the large sums asked for by the proctors. First there was the rebuilding of the Chancel of St. Thomas' Church, Salisbury. The roof had fallen in, and the Dean and Chapter, as Rectors, were bound to rebuild it: in fact they did more than they were bound to do, and in compliance with the wishes of the parishioners built the new chancel on a larger and grander scale than the old one. They had also had to pay a hundred marks towards the relief of Cherbourg, and £39 5s. 10d. towards that of Bordeaux, a fruitless expense as it turned out. Moreovor, in addition to these inevitable expenses, certain "cursed devel's lymes" had broken into and robbed the treasury of the Church, and in consequence they had at one time decided, after consultation with the Bishop, to revoke the authority given to their proctors and, for the present, to relinquish their project. Since however they had heard from Upton and Houchyns that the Pope had issued a commission to the Cardinals to read the letters and examine the evidence, they had decided to revoke only the authority given to Upton, and to recall him, and to leave Houchyns to do the best he could alone. They evidently anticipated that Upton, being the superior in rank of the two proctors, would resent this revocation of his authority, and took pains to thank him and to assure him that nothing but want of money compelled them to act as they did. That Upton did take his recall in bad part seems to have been the case, as he afterwards left Rome without communicating with his colleague or bidding him farewell.

p. 119. The Dean and Chapter wrote a separate letter to Houchyns sending him money, and informing him that he was in future to be their sole representative at Rome, and at the same time they forwarded the formal revocation of Upton's procuracy.

It was clearly recognized, however, that success was not to be attained without the help of private influence, and a letter was written to Gray as "frater ecclesie," and one who had much influence with the Pope, urging him to do his utmost with His Holiness and the College of Cardinals to bring about the Canonization. *p. 118.*

These letters were crossed by one written from Rome by Nicholas Upton on the 6th of November, 1452. This communication reported that some progress had been made, and that the Pope had directed the examination of their letters by Cardinals Firman and Valentyn, who had also asked for the ancient documents, and thus, wrote Upton, "blessed be God we be a wherke," and as usual more money was wanted. *p. 122.*

This letter was followed by one signed by both proctors, still insisting upon the need of money, and enclosing a note of expenses incurred, but taking a more favourable view than before of their prospects of success. *p. 124.*

The receipt of these last letters was acknowledged by the Dean and Chapter on the 23rd of February, $14\frac{5}{6}\frac{3}{4}$, in a letter addressed to both proctors, in which they express satisfaction with the more favourable aspect of affairs, and again deprecate Upton's displeasure at the revocation of his authority, alleging want of means as the only cause, and assuring him that he should be no loser by his absence from England. *p. 126.*

The letters written by the King and the Dean and Chapter to the Pope, in compliance with the request of the proctors, are then set out, and are followed by a letter, dated the 28th of February, $14\frac{5}{6}\frac{3}{4}$, addressed by Nicholas Upton to the Dean and Chapter, and written in characteristically strong language. He complains bitterly of neglect on the part both of the Chapter and Cardinal Tarentyn, and insists that the want of money is the only impediment to the accomplishment of their business. He says that Gray will do nothing for jealousy of Tarentyn, and that the latter rather hindered than helped, hoping to be sent on a mission to England in connection with the Canonization. Moreover, Cardinal Tarentyn was not so high in favour with the Pope as the Chapter believed, and had left Rome in something like disgrace. The letter finishes with the news of Stephen Porcaro's attempt against Pope Nicholas V., which Upton attributes to the Ursini family, "of which somme be hanged and mo shall if they may be take." *pp. 127, 128.* *p. 130.*

The letters announcing the revocation of Upton's authority
p. 132. reached Rome in April, 1453, and there is a curious certificate of their delivery to Gray, Upton, and Houchyns, by the agent of the Bank of the Medicis, through whom the Chapter business at
p. 136. Rome was transacted. Houchyns replied on the 13th of April (the letter is copied in the MS. after one written to the Bishop dated the 2nd of May), giving full particulars of what he was doing. He complains, as usual, of the expense he was put to, and of course asks for money. He exhorts the Dean and Chapter that they should get the King to sign his letters to the Pope with his own hand, as if not so signed His Holiness will not pay much attention to them; and he expresses his regret that it had not been thought fit to recall him instead of Upton. It seems probable that the Chapter had acted wisely; Houchyns was a trained man of business, and, not holding so high a position as the Precentor, he was more likely, by a show of respect and humility, to obtain the favour of the ecclesiastical dignitaries at Rome, whose delays and secret and cautious methods evidently irritated Upton.

p. 134. Writing to the Bishop on the 2nd of May, Houchyns says that he has been told by Cardinal Firman that the Pope does not wish to do anything at present towards the Canonization of Bishop Osmund, because, if he did, he would offend the Kings of France and Arragon, who were urging the Canonization of Vincent Ferrer, and he expects that the Pope, merely to gain time, will send a Commission to England to inquire into the continuance of Bishop Osmund's miracles, and that therefore it would be well to have the accounts of recent miracles made ready beforehand. This suggestion probably explains the insertion in the MS. of accounts of a miraculous preservation from shipwreck, and of a man who was struck on the head by a falling beam, which are found a little later.

p. 141. In a letter, which is dated the 28th of August, 1453, and is written by Houchyns to the Bishop, the first mention is made of John Lax. Houchyns says he has often written of him to the Bishop before this time, but the letters mentioning him have not been preserved. Lax was private secretary to Cardinal Valentyn, afterwards Pope Calixtus III., and his influence must have been of material assistance, if it was not the chief factor, in at last obtaining the wished-for Canonization. At the end of this letter

there is a curious reference to the taking of Constantinople by the Turks, and reference is made to the belief that the success of Mohammed was to be considered as divine retribution for the taking of Troy, and to the expectation that the victorious Turks would proceed to the attack of Rome.

The accounts, above referred to, of two recent miracles are then inserted, one from the East Coast and the other from Bedfordshire, and recorded no doubt owing to the suggestion made in Houchyns' letter of the 2nd of May. *p. 142.*

Writing on the 31st of October, 1453, to the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, Houchyns reports a conversation which he had had with Cardinal Valentyn, which discloses the jealousy with which the mendicant orders were regarded by the clergy. The Cardinal told him that, in discussing the proposed Canonization with the Cardinals in a Consistory, he had said that "if this "Osmund had belonged to a mendicant order he would have "been canonized long ago, but because he wore our vesture" (touching his rochet), "that is considered a reason for delay, "which is an insult to us." Much, in Houchyns' opinion, depended upon the influence of Cardinal Firman, but he was inclined to delay, alleging that he was much occupied in "making "of ordinaunce ayenst the grete turk." Houchyns also mentions that, wishing for the help of another Cardinal, he had promised the Cardinal Bishop of Angers three hundred ducats in the event of success, and he ends his letter, as usual, with a request for money. *p. 143.*

In the spring of the following year Houchyns left Rome after depositing his documents for safe custody in the Hospital of St. Thomas of Canterbury there, and the conduct of the suit for Canonization was left in the hands of John Lax, who was formally appointed proctor for the Dean and Chapter in conjunction with one Thomas Hope, of whom we hear nothing more. *p. 147.*

Upon the 24th of March, 1455, Pope Nicholas V. died, and upon the 8th of April following Alphonso Borgia, Cardinal Archbishop of Valencia, hitherto referred to as Cardinal Valentyn, was elected to the Papacy in his room, taking the name of Calixtus III.

The news of this election was most welcome to the Dean and Chapter, as the new Pope had, in the time of his predecessor, been one of the chief favourers of their cause, and they addressed *p. 148.*

p. 151. him with a cordial letter of congratulation, to which the Pope
p. 150. returned an encouraging answer. A letter was also written to Lax urging him to exert himself in their favour.

The letter of the Dean and Chapter was crossed by one from Lax, dated the 21st of September, 1455, in which he complained of not having received letters from the Bishop, which he had been encouraged to expect. Lax had had long experience of the methods employed at the Court of Rome, and no doubt considered the bearing of everything with a watchful and suspicious eye, and he evidently suspected that the absence of letters from the Bishop implied some secret mistrust on the part of the latter, and this he
p. 152. clearly expresses in his next letter, which is dated the 6th of January, $14\frac{5}{5}\frac{5}{6}$.

p. 154. The Chapter sent copies of Lax's letters to Bishop Beauchamp,
p. 155. who at once replied that he had complete confidence in Lax, and would write or do anything that the Chapter might wish to reassure him, and if money was wanted he would advance it, even if he had to pledge his jewels to raise it.

p. 156. The Dean and Chapter were most grateful for the Bishop's liberality, and in writing to thank him begged him at once to write to the Pope and to Lax. Now, they write, is the time to make an effort; the new Pope was an old man and might not live long, and they wished to avail themselves of the advantage of his favourable disposition to them and their cause.

p. 158. The Bishop lost no time in writing to the Pope, and, no doubt,
p. 159. to Lax also, although the letter is not preserved, and the Dean
p. 161. and Chapter also addressed His Holiness again, and wrote to Lax to assure him that his suspicion that he was not in favour with the Bishop was groundless. This letter was sent by a special messenger, who was to travel from London to Bruges, and was expected to reach Rome from Bruges in twenty days

Lax had confided to his master his suspicions of what were
p. 163. the Bishop's feelings towards him, and the Pope consequently addressed a remonstrance to the Bishop, which probably crossed the last-mentioned letters; he had also another object in writing this letter, which was to inform the Bishop of the great preparations he had made of soldiers and ships, not only to withstand the Turks, but to enable him to crush them altogether, and he hints that to give assistance towards his warlike provision was the way to secure his favour.

Lax, whose confidence had been restored by the letters from the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, wrote to the latter on the 23rd of July, 1456, to report progress. Some delay had occurred owing to the prevalence of the plague, which prevented him from leaving the City, but the Pope is favourably disposed, and he (Lax) thinks that the end of the long and arduous business of the Canonization is not far off. Money, of course, is still wanted, and a further reference is made to the preparations to oppose the dreaded Turks. *p. 165.*

At last came a letter from the Pope with the welcome announcement that he had decided upon the long wished for Canonization. The letter was written from Rome on the 13th of December, 1456, and was received and solemnly published at Salisbury on the 15th of January following. *p. 167.*

The 1st of January was fixed as the date of the actual Canonization, and the Pope took the opportunity of commending Lax to the favour of the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter as the chief instrument in the fulfilment of their desires.

The welcome news was at once communicated to the King, and, courtier-like, the Dean and Chapter attribute their success to His Majesty's letters, and they respectfully desire him to send his personal thanks to the Pope and the College of Cardinals, and they recommend Lax as a worthy object of the royal favour. *p. 169.*

The fortunate agent had not long to wait for his reward; he soon afterwards obtained the prebend of Laughton-en-le-Morthen in York Minster, and that of Chardstock in Salisbury. *p. 170.*

The formal letter of thanks from the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter was not despatched until six months later, being dated the 27th of June, and in it an elaborate parallel is drawn between St. Osmund and the Pope. Both of them crossed the sea and obtained eminence in a foreign land; both attained to the episcopate and became safe bridges (there is a pun upon "pontifices" and "pontes") to save others from the foul depths of sin. St. Osmund spent his wealth for God and the Church. The Pope freely poured out his treasure to withstand the enemies of the Christian faith. St. Osmund died in old age; it was not possible for His Holiness to do otherwise. St. Osmund was enrolled in the catalogue of Saints; the Holy Father had become Christ's Vicar upon earth!

to illustrate the ways of life and thought of the people of England, the Court of Rome, and the Church of Salisbury at the times when they were written. The writer has only been able to transcribe and annotate the MSS. in what time he has had to spare from other avocations; he trusts that the many shortcomings in performance, which no doubt exist, and which more leisure might have enabled him to correct, will be condoned in view of the intrinsic worth and interest of the documents themselves.

OSMUNDUS EPISCOPUS SARUM Obiit Anno Domini M°XCIX° i
CANONIZATUS ET TRANSLATUS Anno Domini MCCCCLVJ^to

Registrum in causa Canonizacionis bone memorie Osmundi Episcopi Saresbiriensis coram Reuerendissimis in Christo patribus et dominis dominis [a]G. titulo sancti Clementis Senensis [b]P. titulo sancti Stephani in Celiomonte de fuxo presbiteris et [c]L. sancte Marie in Cosmedin diacono de Comitibus vulgariter nuncupatis sancte Romane Ecclesie Cardinalibus Judicibus et Commissariis habitum et confectum.

In nomine domini amen Anno a Natiuitate eiusdem Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo quarto Indictione Secunda die vero Sabbati Nona Mensis Decembris Pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini [d]Martini diuina prouidencia pape Quinti Anno Octauo. In nostrorum Notariorum publicorum et testium infrascriptorum ad hoc specialiter vocatorum et rogatorum presencia personaliter constituti Reuerendissimi in Christo patres et domini domini G. titulo sancti Clementis Senensis P. titulo sancti Stephani in Celiomonte de fuxo presbiteri et L. titulo sancte Marie in Cosmedin diaconus vulgariter nuncupati sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii Prouido viro magistro Iohanne de Scribanis in Romana curia et Reuerendi patris domini [e]Io. Episcopi ac venerabilium virorum dominorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis principalium in infrascripta Commissione principaliter nominatorum procuratore i b

Domini commissarii tradiderunt nobis . . . . . notariis cedulam exposicionis infrascriptam . . . . . retulerunt eis per dominum nostrum papam . . . . fore commissum ut infra.

Nomina commissariorum.

[a] Gabriel Condelmieri, a Venetian, nephew of Pope Gregory XII, of the Celestine Order. Bishop of Sienna. Created a Cardinal by Gregory XII in 1408. Elected Pope in 1431 and took the name of Eugenius IV.

[b] "Petrus de Comitibus de Fuxo," (Epitome Pontif: Roman:) a Spaniard from Navarre, created Cardinal priest by Benedict XIII circ: 1395.

[c] Lucidus, a Roman. Protonotary Apostolic, created Cardinal deacon in 1411 by John XXIII.

[d] Martin V. Otho Colonna, Protonotary and Referendary Apostolic, created a Cardinal deacon (tt S. Georgii ad Velum Aureum) in 1404 by Innocent VII. Elected Pope 11 Novr., 1417. Died 1431.

[e] John Chandler, Preb: of Netherbury in Ecclesia c. 1390, Treasurer 1394, Dean 1404, Bishop of Salisbury 1417, Preb: of Milton Manor in Lincoln Cath: 1405. He died 16th July, 1426, and was buried in the Nave of Salisbury Cathedral.

proût de sue procuracionis mandato legitimam fecit fidem instante et id petente retulerunt nobis Antonio de Strata de Papia Menaldo de Castellario et Euerardo Euerardi de Osterborch prefatorum dominorum Cardinalium Iudicum et Commissariorum Notariis atque Scribis eis per prefatum dominum nostrum papam die Martis nuper elapsa que fuit quinta presentis mensis Decembris causam Canonizacionis huiusmodi die lune dictam diem Martis immediate precendente coram sanctitate sua in Consistorio publico propositam viueuocis oraculo fore commissam ut procederent et processum prout in dicta Commissionis siue supplicacionis cedula quam nobis Notariis et Scribis predictis tradiderunt fideliter registrandam petitur reciperent aperirent viderent et diligenter examinarent et deinde ipso recepto aperto viso et diligenter examinato prefato domino nostro pape de contentis in ipso processu plenariam facerent relacionem. Mandantes nichilominus et Committentes ut tam ipsam Commissionis siue supplicacionis cedulam quam omnia alia et singula que ipsius vigore occurrerint conscribenda in actis nostris publicis et presentis cause registro fideliter scriberemus et registraremus seu per alium fidelem scribi et registrari faceremus. Et cum expediens fuerit in publica redigeremus seu redigi faceremus documenta Partibusque copiam petentibus, dum ipsis per dictos dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios decreta fuerit, fideliter traderemus et exhiberemus actis ex eisdem.

Nomina notariorum.

Relacis dominorum.

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Tenor vero dicte Commissionis siue supplicacionis cedule de qua supra fit mencio sequitur et est talis.

Cedula exposicionis.

Beatissime pater alias pro parte deuotorum oratorum virorum Reverendi patris domini Iohannis Episcopi ac Venerabilium virorum dominorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis exposito sanctitati vestre quod olim bone memorie Osmundus episcopus Saresbiriensis dum ageret in humanis accensus eximio fidei catholice et deuocionis feruore ac cupiens terrena in celestia et transitoria in eterna felici commercio commutare, eandem ecclesiam sibi de bonis adeo collatis fundauit et rexit et quatuor dignitates et trigintaduos Canonicatus in totidem prebendis instituit in eadem eandemque ecclesiam de bonis suis pro sustentacione illorum qui inibi in diuinis pro tempore deseruirent sufficienter dotauit prefate ecclesie terras possessiones Comitatus sui dorsetie et alia contexendo ad eum tunc legitime

pertinencia realiter conferendo atque donando. Et nichilominus ut persone ecclesiastice et alii beneficiati in ipsa ecclesia diuinis obsequiis intendentes melius et utilius profitere possent non mediocrem librorum et aliorum ornamentorum ecclesiasticorum dotem eidem ecclesie prebuit et concessit Ipsamque denique quam plu- ii *b*
ribus ad bone et religiose viuendum dogmatibus insigniuit usque adeo quod tempore eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi in dicta Ecclesia maxime vigebant ecclesiastice discipline tam in moribus quam in vita quarumlibet personarum degentium in eadem. Nam hic Osmundus pater religiossimus laudabilis conversacionis et vite et miris virtutibus insignitus tante sanctitatis in vita asseritur, in quem diuina clemencia graciam sue benignitatis infudit, quod post eius obitum crebris miraculis claruit, propter que Episcopi Saresbirienses successores sui pia intencione moti ac contemplantes sanctimoniam vite eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi quem tamquam deo acceptum aliorum imitando vestigia asscribi sanctorum cathologo cupiebant felicis recordacionis domino [a]Gregorio pape nono predecessori vestro humiliter supplicarunt ut prius per illos viros graues et expertos quibus id duceret committendum de sanctimonia vite virtutibus et miraculis eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi receptis informacionibus et testimoniis fidedignis prout tante rei grauitas exigebat eum sanctorum dei kathologo asscribi dignaretur. Idem predecessor intendens in huiusmodi causa iuxta rei grauitatem cum debita deliberacione et maturitate procedere bone iii
memorie [b]Bathoniensi et [c]Couentrensi Episcopis ac venerabili patri domino Abbati Monasterii de Stanley ordinis Cysterciensis Saresbiriensis dioceseos eorum propriis nominibus non expressis suis dedit literis in mandatis ut super vita et miraculis prefati Osmundi Episcopi diligentur inquirerent et se informarent et quidquid per inquisicionem et informacionem huiusmodi de sanctimonia vite atque miraculis Osmundi Episcopi inuenirent veritate fulciri, ac totum exinde per eos formatum processum eorum sigillis

[a] Ugolino de Conti di Segni, Bishop of Ostia, pope Gregory IX. A nephew of Pope Innocent III, by whom he was created Cardinal deacon (tt St. Eustachii), and afterwards Cardinal Bishop. He was elected pope on the 19th of March, 1227, died 21 August, 1241. His letter to the Bishops of Bath and Coventry was dated 30 May, 1228, vid: Osmund Reg: (Jones) ii. 85.

[b] Jocelin cons: Bishop of Bath and Wells 28th May, 1206, died 19th Nov., 1242. He was buried in the middle of the choir of Wells Cathedral (Godwin).

[c] Alexander Stavensby was consecrated Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield on Easter Sunday, 14th April, 1224, he died at Andover 26th Dec., 1238, and was buried at Lichfield (Godwin).

munitum ad eundem predecessorem remitterent per eum examinandum secundum exigenciarum continenciam meritorum. Postmodum vero prefati Commissarii ad execucionem literarum dicti predecessoris iuxta Commissionem super hiis eis ut premittitur factam ad huiusmodi rei veritatem investigandam legitime procedentes ac de sanctimonia vite et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi diligencius inquirentes nonnullos testes bone opinionis et fame reputatos et habitos examinarunt, quorum deposiciones et attestaciones in dicta ecclesia in scripturis auctenticis et in archiuis ab illo tempore citra remanserunt et inibi conseruantur. Denique super premissis propter negligenciam et desidiam illorum quorum intererat necnon varietatem et mutacionem temporum in huiusmodi causa vlterius non processum, tandem successu temporis huiusmodi materia coram bone memorie
iii b [a]Angelo Corarie in vniuersali Episcopo tunc Gregorio in eius obediencia de qua partes ille tunc erant duodecimo nuncupato, pro parte Episcopi Saresbiriensis qui tunc erat solempniter proposita in publico consistorio suo prefatus Episcopus tunc Gregorius duodecimus bone memorie [b]Francisco titulo sanctorum Quatuor coronatorum presbitero Cardinali commisit ut in huiusmodi negocio et rei veritate indaganda se diligenter informaret et quidquid per informacionem huiusmodi inueniret sibi referret. Qui Cardinalis antequam de premissis se informaret ut referret fuit sicud domino placuit vitafunctus. Demum prefatus modernus Episcopus Saresbiriensis decanus et Capitulum eiusdem ecclesie dignum fore existimantes quod Thesaurus longo tempore absconditus Christi fidelibus ostendatur et tamquam lucerna lucens ad aliorum exemplar et instructionem Christi fidelibus pateat cupiantes pro exaltacione nominis Christi Ihesu ac splendoris gloria et honoris eorum ecclesie ut super permissis ad examinacionem eiusdem processus et alia presentem causam concernencia usque ad Canonizacionem eiusdem sancti per sedem apostolicam procedant, pro parte moderni Episcopi decani et Capituli predictorum eidem sanctitati vestre fuit humiliter supplicatum ut in

[a] Angelo Corrario, a Venetian, Bishop of Chalchis and Patriarch of Constantinople, created Cardinal priest (tt S. Mark) by Pope Innocent VII in 1404. Elected pope with the title of Gregory XII 30th Nov., 1406. He was deposed by a General Council 5th of June, 1409, but did not himself abdicate until 4th of July, 1415. He died 18th Oct: 1417.

[b] "Franciscus Huguccionus Brandamonte Urbinas," Archbishop of Bordeaux, created a Cardinal by Pope Innocent VII in 1405.

premissis oportune prouidere de benignatate apostolica dignaretur, eadem sanctitas vestra de premissis certam noticiam non habens huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinata Reuerendis patribus dominis Jacobo [a]Tergestino in regno Anglie apostolice sedis tunc nuncio ac [b]Wintoniensi et [c]Herfordensi Episcopis per apostolica scripta commisit et mandauit quatenus processus super premissis vita et iiij miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi per eosdem Commissarios habitos et formatos auctoritate apostolica cum debita maturitate et grauitate prout in tanta re conuenit recensentes et examinantes et in formam auctenticam redigentes de premissis omnibus et eorum circumstanciis vniuersis auctoritate apostolica se informarent et inquirerent diligentius veritatem. Et nichilominus ad recepcionem testium probacionum et informacionum fidedignorum prout expediens esse eis videretur in huiusmodi causa ad vlteriora procederent, prout eis videretur conuenire, voluit autem eadem sanctitas vestra quod totum processum in huiusmodi causa tam per eosdem Commissarios formatum quam per eosdem dominos Tergestinum Wintoniensem et Herefordensem vigore Commissionis eis facte habendum et formandum in publica et auctentica forma eorum sigillis munitum per proprium nuncium ad eandem sanctitatem destinare curarent. Et alias prout in literis apostolicis inde confectis plenius continetur. Cum autem pater sancte dictus processus super predictis ac nouis probacionibus factus sit nouiter ad curiam Romanam transmissus. Supplicatur igitur eidem sanctitati vestre pro parte Episcopi decani et Capituli predictorum quatenus eadem sanctitas dignetur alicui uel aliquibus de Reuerendissimis patribus dominis sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinalibus de quo siue quibus videbitur sanctitate vestre committere ut dictum processum recipiant aperiant et videant. Ipsumque bene et diligenter examinent et postmodum eidem sanctitati vestre referant ad finem et effectum quod prefata sanctitas valeat postmodum dictum Osmundum iiij *b*

[a] *i.e.* of Trieste.

[b] Henry Cardinal Beaufort, son of John of Gaunt. He was preb : of Tame in Lincoln Cath : 1389-90, and of Sutton cum Bucks in the same Cath : the same year, preb : of Horton in Salisbury Cath : 1397, Dean of Wells 1397, Bishop of Lincoln 1398, Bishop of Winchester 1404-5. He was created Cardinal priest (tt S. Eusebius) in 1426 by pope Martin V. He died 11th April, 1447, and was buried in Winchester Cathedral.

[c] Thomas Spofford, Abbat of S. Mary's, York. Elected to the see of Rochester, but removed to Hereford, to which see he was consecrated 24th May, 1422. Resigned the see 1448, and died in S. Mary's Abbey, York.

Episcopum Canonizare ac kathologo sanctorum asscribi mandare ut est moris.

Locus et hora facte relacionis.

Facta fuit huiusmodi relacio nobis notariis atque Scribis predictis per dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios prefatos Rome in ecclesia Sanctorum Apostolorum de vrbe apud maius Altare hora terciarum vel quasi sub Anno Indictione die mense et Pontificatu quibus supra. Presentibus ibidem Egregiis ac honorabilibus viris dominis Arditinio de Nouaria Aduocato Consistorali Petro de Senago de Modoecia Acolito dicti domini nostri pape et Viua de Calleo prefati domini Cardinalis Senensis Capellano, et quam plurimis aliis fidedignis Testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis. Relacione huiusmodi sic ut premittitur facta coram dominis Cardinalibus Iudicibus et Commissariis prefatis loco et hora predictis personaliter constitutus prouidus vir magister Johannes de Scribanis in Romana curia et presentis causa Canonizacionis procurator et promotor volens de sue procuracionis mandato legitimam facere fidem quoddam publicum Instrumentum duobus sigillis sigillatum et per notarium publicum signatum et subscriptum ut prima facie apparebat facto realiter et in scriptis infrascripti tenoris exhibuit atque dedit. Et nichilominus omnes et singulos sua communiter uel diuisim interesse putantes Ad dicendum et opponendum quidquid verbo v uel in scriptis contra prescriptam Commissionem dicere siue opponere voluerint necnon ad recognoscendum et recognosci videndum nonnulla sigilla cuidam rotulo de partibus reportato et in hac causa canonizacionis producendo appensa seu impressa ac eciam signa et manus notariorum in eodem rotulo descriptos, Ipsumque rotulum eciam produci et aperiri videndum per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum prefati domini nostri pape citari mandari ad aliquem certum peremptorium terminum competentem per dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios prefatos debita cum instancia postulauit. Quam quidem Citacionem perpetuam prefati domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii dicto magistro Iohanni de Scribanis procuratori instanti et petenti partique sue decreuerunt et concesserunt. Eamque prout petita extitit et postulata Ad primam diem Iuridicam proxime futuram qua eosdem dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios Rome in ecclesia sanctorum Apostolorum predicta mane hora terciarum ad Iura reddendum in locis suis

Iohannes de Scribanis procurator dominorum Episcopi ac decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresberiensis dedit mandatum suum facto et obtinuit sibi decretam citacionem contra omnes et singulos sua interesse credentes ad dicendum contra commissionem ac ad videndum recognosci sigilla et signa ac manus notariorum cuidam rotulo in huiusmodi causa producendo appensa et apposita ac ad videndum aperiri dictum rotulum etc. per audienciam contradictarum domini nostri pape ad Iuridicam diem.

solitis et consuetis pro tribunali sede contigerit, per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum domini nostri pape predictam peremptorie fieri voluerunt et mandarunt.

Tenor vero procuracionis mandati siue publici Instrumenti unde supra fit mencio sequitur et est talis.

Uniuersis et singulis Christifidelibus presentes literas nostras in formam Instrumenti publici redactas visuris uel audituris. Nos Iohannes dei gracia Saresbiriensis Episcopus ac [a]Symon Sydenham decanus [b]Edwardus Prentys precentor [c]Georgius Louthorp Thesaurarius [d]Iohannes Symondesburgh Archidiaconus Wiltes [e]Henricus Harburgh [f]Iohannes Hurlegh [g]Iohannes Tydelyng [h]Robertus Broun [i]Alexander Sparwe et [k]Willelmus Swyft ecclesie

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Instrumentum procuracionis per magistrum Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem productum.

Nomina constituencium.

[a] Rector of Sutton Veney, Wilts: Archdeacon of Berks 1404, Archdeacon of Sarum the same year by exchange, Preb: of Rotesfen 1407, Yetminster 2[da] 1415, Dean of Salisbury 1418. Elected Bp. of Salisbury in succession to John Chandler 1426, but put aside in consequence of a papal provision of Robert Neville. Consecrated Bp. of Chichester 1431, died 1438.

[b] Preb: of S. Grantham 1406, Stratford 1406, Durnford 1423. Precentor of Salisbury 1419. He occupied the house in the Close called Ledenhall.

[c] Rector of S. Thomas, Salisbury, 1393-1403. Preb: of Netherbury in Terra 1393. Treasurer of Salisbury 1404.

[d] Rector of Dinton. Treasurer of S. Paul's 1420-1423, Preb. of Yatesbury 1423, Preb. of Stratton 1437, Archdeacon of Wilts 1423, Treasurer of Salisbury 1449. He was one of four commissioners appointed in 1432 to treat with the General Council at Basle for the reduction of the Bohemians to union with the Church (Rymer x 529). On the 13th of December, 1443, he was granted by the Dean and Chapter "locum sue sepulture ad ymaginem S. Xfori recte in "angulo viciniori altaris S. Andree siue S. Spiritus tendente ad introitum "claustri eiusdem ecclesie" (i.e. the Cathedral), "et quod ipse poterat "similiter figere in pariete supra tumbam suam unam laminam deauratam "sculptam cum ymagine Saluatoris" (Hutchins Reg: fo. xxxiii β). He died 4th Dec., 1454, and by his will desired to be buried before the altar of S. Margaret. This would correspond with the place of burial granted to him; S. Margaret's altar was the northernmost of the three in the S.W. transept, that of S. Andrew probably stood at the east end of the S. aisle of the nave, about where the tomb of Wm. Longespée now is. Just round the corner of the transept on the way from the tomb of Wm. Longespée to the cloister door, on the west wall is the matrix of a mural brass, and this position would also be before the altar of S. Margaret.

[e] Treasurer of Salisbury 1394, Preb: of Netherbury in Ecclesia 1394, of N. Alton 1395, of Slape 1403, of Charminster 1418. Precentor of Salisbury 1416.

[f] Preb: of Ramsbury 1414.

[g] Preb: of Axford 1401, Maior Pars Altaris 1404, Woodford and Warminster 1406, Yetminster 2[da] 1418, Beaminster 1[ma] 1418, Stratton 1420, Yatesbury 1437.

[h] Preb: of Ruscomb c. 1405, Ramsbury 1425.

[i] Preb: of Axford 1422, Fordington and Writhlington 1426. Archdeacon of Sarum 1426, of Berks 1432. Treasurer of S. Paul's 1423.

[k] Preb: of Stratford 1423, Netherbury in Terra 1425.

Cathedralis Saresbiriensis Canonici in domo Capitulari eiusdem Capitulariter congregati et Capitulum facientes salutem in domino sempiternam et indubiam presentibus adhibere fidem. Cum ea que a venerabilibus predecessoribus nostris vtiliter incepta sunt, nos qui in eorum loca successimus vsque in finem prosequi totis viribus teneamur, ipsorum predecessorum nostrorum exemplis edocti et zelo deuocionis accensi piam causam Canonizacionis beati viri Osmundi quondam Saresbiriensis ecclesie Pontificis nostri fundatoris a prefatis predecessoribus nostris inchoatam sed hucusque minime completam nos concorditer censuimus apud Sacrosanctam sedem apostolicam et sanctissimum dominum nostrum papam cuius auctoritate et mandato de vita meritis et miraculis prefati Pontificis Osmundi nuper extitit diligenter
vi inquisitum summo opere fore prosequendam ipsiusque votiuam expedicionem annuente diuina clemencia feliciter obtinendam ad diuini cultus augmentum ecclesie Anglicane gloriam ac tocius cleri et populi immensam leticiam qui affectuosissime cupiunt ipsum beatum virum Osmundum sicut decet sanctos in ecclesia cum festiuis laudibus solempniter honorare dignum humanis attolli preconiis qui pro hominibus apud deum fieri dignabitur perpetuus intercèssor. Verum quia quod a multis communiter agitur
Nomina procuratorum. plerumque difficilius quam quod a paucis expeditur. Nos igitur Episcopus decanus et Capitulum supradicti de probitate fidelitate et industria honorabilium virorum dominorum [a]Johannis Fiton dicte ecclesie Saresbiriensis Cancellarii absentis tamquam presentis Henrici Harburgh eiusdem ecclesie Canonici presentis et onus procuracionis huiusmodi in se sponte suscipientis necnon [b]Johannis Blodwell ecclesie Assauensis Canonici Johannis de Scribanis in Romana curia procuratoris generalis et Wenceslai Swisico literarum apostolicarum Abbreuiatoris absencium tam quam presencium quam plurimum confidentes ipsos nostros certos et indubitatos procuratores actores negociorum nostrorum gestores et nuncios speciales coniunctim et diuisim et quemlibet eorum per se et insolidum, ita quod non sit melior condicio occupantis, sed quod vnus eorum inceperit quilibet eorum prosequi valeat mediare et finire, faci-

[a] Archdeacon of Stafford c 1420. Preb: of Ruscomb 1410, N. Grantham 1412 and Highworth 1416. Chancellor of Salisbury 1422. Preb: of Bilton in York Minster 1427.

[b] Canon of S. Asaph. Preb: of Curburough in Lichfield Cathedral 1432, of Warham and Ayleston in Hereford Cathedral c 1433.

mus ordinamus deputamus et constituimus capitulariter per presentes, alios quoscunque procuratores hactenus per nos coniunctim seu diuisim in hac parte constitutos et eorum substitutos ex certa nostra sciencia penitus reuocantes, Dantes et concedentes Potestatis dacio.
prefatis nostris procuratoribus coniunctim et eorum cuilibet per vi *b*
se et insolidum plenam facultatem ac plenariam et liberam potestatem ad sanctam vitam dicti beatissimi viri Osmundi ac miracula que ipsius meritis in dicta ecclesia ac aliis locis circumiacentibus operari dignatus est deus et indies operatur, immensamque deuocionem qua totus populus ipsum veneratur et venerari cupit vt sanctum coram sanctissimo domino nostro papa in Consistorio publico et alias vbi et quociens eis uel eorum alicui videbitur expedire et coram quocunque ac quibuscunque aliis Iudicibus Auditoribus et Commissariis auctoritate apostolica ad hoc deputandis declarandis exponendis et proponendis, ac declarari exponi et proponi faciendis, Iudicem et Iudices in Romana curia et extra eciam in partibus coram quibus ipsius Beatissimi viri Osmundi sanctitatem miracula et deuocionem populi ad eundem probare possint et debeant aut eorum aliquis uel substitutus aut substituti ab eis uel eorum aliquo probare possit et debeat petendis et obtinendis ac coram Iudice seu Iudicibus huiusmodi ad finem et effectum quod dictus beatissimus olim Antistes Osmundus auctoritate sacrosancte sedis apostolice canonizari et in numero ac cathologo sanctorum poni et connumerari ac ut sanctus et confessor in terris ab omnibus licite venerari eiusque sanctissimum corpus et ossa transferri et reliquiari possit et debeat ac possint et debeant, agendis prosequendis informaciones posiciones et articulos dandis et faciendis literis testibus et Instru- vi
mentis ac aliis quibuscunque probacionum generibus ad ipsius sancte vite et miraculorum probacionem ad finem et effectum predictos, quociens episcopus fuerit in Iudicio et extra, utendis, et illa producenda quecunque eciam Iuramenta licita in huiusmodi negocio et prosecucione eiusdem requisita in animas nostrum constituencium prestandi, necnon remissionem ad partes concedi ac ipsum beatum virum Osmundum in sanctum canonizari et in numero et kathologo sanctorum poni et connumerari eiusque corpus et ossa transferri et reliquiari summasque diffinitiuas et interlocutorias ferri ac literas graciam seu iusticiam continentes et in premissis utiles seu necessarias petendas impetrandas et obtinendas a quibuscumque eciam grauaminibus in hac parte

forsan inferendis supplicandis et appellandis Apostolos petendos et appellacionem et appellaciones huiusmodi prosequendas necnon ad omnia alia et singula que circa prosecucionem et expedicionem finalem dicti canonizacionis et translacionis fuerint necessaria vtilia seu quomodolibet oportuna, eciam si eorum aliqua superius expressa sint maiora et in se mandatum exigant magis speciale, facienda gerenda exercenda et prosequenda et que nosmet constituentes predicti faceremus seu facere possemus et deberemus si in premissis et quolibet premissorum presencialiter interessemus, vnum et plures procuratorem seu procuratores loco eorum et cuiuslibet eorumdem ad omnia et singula premissa substituendos ac substituendum seu substituendos procuratores huiusmodi reuocandos et procuratoris officium in se reassumendos tociens quociens et quando eis seu eorum alicui videbitur expedire. Pro dictis vero procuratoribus nostris et eorum quolibet necnon substituendo seu substituendis ab eis et quolibet eorumdem nos constituentes supradicti rem ratam haberi de Iudicio sisti et Iudicatum solui sub ypotheca et obligacione omnium bonorum nostrorum promittimus et exponimus caucionem per presentes. In cuius rei testimonium nos Episcopus Decanus et Capitulum antedicti has literas nostras patentes exinde fieri ac per discretum virum [a]Wilhelmum Hardyng notarium publicum infrascriptum subscribi et publicari ac in hanc formam Instrumenti publici redigi mandauimus nostrorumque sigillorum appensionibus fecimus communiri. Datum et Actum in domo nostra Capitulari Saresbiriense Anno ab incarnacione domini secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimoquarto Indictione secunda Pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Martini diuina prudencia pape Quinti Anno septimo mensis Augusti die secunda, Presentibus tunc ibidem discretis viris magistro Iohanne Pedewell[b] ecclesie Saresbiriensis predicte Subdecano dominis Laurencio Grome et Petro[c] Fader in Choro eiusdem ecclesie vicariis Testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Potestas substituendi. vii *b*

Ratishabicio.

Obligacio.

Data.

viii Subscriptio notarii.

Et ego Willelmus Harding clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos publicus auctoritate Apostolica Notarius premissorum procura torum ordinacioni constitucione potestatis dacioni et concessioni

[a] Chapter Clerk of Salisbury 1419—1435. [b] Subdean of Salisbury 1418.
[c] Submagister Choristarum 6 Oct., 1419.

ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur sub anno domini Indictione Pontificatu mense die et loco predictis agebantur et fiebant vnacum prenominatis testibus presens interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui et de mandato Reuerendi patris domini Episcopi Decani et Capituli predictorum has literas manu mea propria scripsi publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi signoque et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensionibus sigillorum Reuerendi patris domini Episcopi Decani et Capituli predictorum signaui et roboraui rogatus et requisitus per eosdem in fidem et testimonium omnium premissorum.

Die Mercurii Terciadecima supradicti mensis Decembris fuit festum sancte Lucie virginis quare illa die non fuit tenta audiencia neque domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii tunc pro tribunali sedebant. Festum.

Die Veneris quintadecima supradicti mensis Decembris Comparuit in Iudicio coram dominis Cardinalibus Iudicibus et Commissariis prefatis Rome in ecclesia Sanctorum Apostolorum de vrbe ipsius inibi mane hora terciarum ad Iura reddendum pro tribunali sedentibus magister Iohannes de Scribanis procurator procuratorio nomine quo supra et quandam Citacionem audiencie pergameni cedulam alias ab Auditorio ipsorum dominorum Cardinalium Iudicum et Commissariorum emouiatam de eorumque voluntate et mandato in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum dicti domini nostri pape positam atque lectam Signoque ipsius audiencie ab intra signatam ac sigillo ad huiusmodi Citaciones sigillandas atergo ut moris est sigillatam aliasque inibi debite execucioni demandatam facto realiter et in scriptis infra scripti tenoris exhibuit atque presentauit, Citatorumque in eadem contentorum non comparencium neque quidquid verbo uel in scriptis contra Commissionem prefatis dominis Cardinalibus Iudicibus et Commissariis per sanctissimum in Christo patrem et dominum nostrum dominum Martinum diuina prudencia papam Quintum factam dicere siue opponere, nec eciam sigilla cuidam rotulo de partibus reportato appensa seu impressa recognoscere ac recognosci videre neque rotulum ipsum aperiri ac signa et manus notariorum in ipso rotulo descriptas recognosci videre curancium contumiam accusauit Ipsosque contumaces reputari. Et in eorum

viii *b*

Iohannes de Scribanis procurator dedit citacionem audiencie facto et in contumiam citatorum nichil dicencium contra commissionem neque videncium recognosci sigilla et signa cuidam rotulo producendo appensa et apposita et aperiri eundam rotulum produxit quemdam rotulum facto. Et supra cius recognicionem produxit testes infrascriptos qui mediis eorum Iuramentis recognouerunt sigilla et signa ac subscripciones dicti rotuli ut infra.

contumaciam quemdam Rotulum in pergameno Scriptum clausum et certis sigillis oblongis in filis sericeis eidem rotulo appensis sigillatum facto realiter et in scriptis infrascripti tenoris exhibuit atque produxit. Et nichilominus honorabiles viros magistros
Nomina testium. Wenceslaum Swysekow literarum apostolicarum Abbreuiatorem et Iohannem Haige Saresbiriensis ac Hugonem ap Ieuan
ix Meneuensis dioceseos clericos per discretum virum Iohannem Gymesky sacri palacii cursorem ibidem presentem et ipsos testes per eum statim citatos referentem Ad Iurandum de prohibendo testimonium in hac causa cononizacionis veritati de et super recognicione sigillorum signorum et manuum notariorum supradicti rotuli exhibuit atque produxit. Quos admitti et eorum solita Iuramenta necnon Interrogari et examinari per prefatos dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios debita cum instancia postulauit. Et tunc domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii prefati dictos citatos non comparentes neque huiusmodi diei termino in aliquo satisfacere curantes lice sufficienter expectatos reputauerunt quo ad actum et terminum huiusmodi merite prout erat exigens iusticia contumaces. Et in eorum contumaciam ad supradicti magistri Iohannis de Scribanis procuratoris instanciam supradictos testes ut et tamquam testes ibidem presentes ad Iurandum de prohibendo testimonium in hac causa canonizacionis veritati duxerunt admittendos et admiserunt. Qui dum sic admissi fuerant statim et incontinenter ad mandatum ipsorum dominorum Cardinalium Iudicum et Commissariorum et in eorum manibus tactis scripturis sacrosanctis ad sancta dei evangelia Iurarunt et dixerunt et quilibet eorum Iurauit et dixit se velle dicere et deponere puram meram et omnimodam quam sciuerunt in hac causa canonizacionis veritatem
ix *b* parte precio amore fauore ira odio rancore timore et qualibet alia sinistra machinacione in premissis postpositis penitus et semotis. Deinde vero domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii prefati ad dicti magistri Iohannis de Scribanis procuratoris instanciam supradicta sigilla signa et manus notariorum ipsi Rotulo appositas monstrauerunt eosque et eorum quemlibet interrogauerunt an sigilla huiusmodi rotulo appensa ac signa et manus notariorum dicto rotulo appositas cognoscerent uel ne, volentes atque mandantes eisdem ut ad has suas interrogaciones mediis eorum Iuramentis responderent et quilibet eorum responderet. Quiquid testes sic ut promittitur per dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios

prefatos interrogati er moniti aperto primitus per me Euerardum notarium de mandato eorumdem dominorum Cardinalium Iudicum et Commissariorum rotulo prefato ac tunc visis per eos et diligenter inspectis huiusmodi sigillis signis ac subscripcionibus notariorum rotuli supradicti statim et incontinenter ad mandatum ipsorum dominorum Cardinalium Iudicum et Commissariorum mediis eorum Iuramentis per eos ut premittitur superius prestitis dixerunt et quilibet testium predictorum dixit se huiusmodi sigilla signa et subscripciones notariorum dicti rotuli bene cognoscere et esse illorum quorum esse dicuntur et ipsos fore notarios publicos et legales. Et tunc prefati domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii ad prefati magistri Iohannis de Scribanis procuratoris instanciam huiusmodi sigilla signa et manus notariorum habuerunt et habere voluerunt pro recognitis et rotulum pro aperto. Quibus peractis prefatus magister Iohannes de Scribanis procurator quo supra nomine procuratorio ad huc ibidem presens et Iudicialiter comparens omnes et singulos sua communiter uel diuisim interesse credentes eorumque procuratoris Ad videndum et audiendum dicta testium siue attestaciones in antedicto rotulo descripta et descriptas publicari necnon dicendum et opponendum quidquid verbo uel in scriptis dicere siue opponere voluerint contra testes et eorum dicta in sepedicto rotulo conscriptos et conscripta per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum dicti domini nostri pape citari mandari ad aliquem certum peremptorium terminum competentem per prefatos dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios debita cum instancia postulauit. Quamquid citationem prefati domini Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii supradicto magistro Iohanni de Scribanis procuratori instanti et petenti decreuerunt et concesserunt. Eamque prout petita extitit Ad primam diem Iuridicam proximam futuram qua eosdem dominos Cardinales Iudices et Commissarios Rome in ecclesia sanctorum Apostolorum de vrbe mane hora terciarum ad Iura reddendum in locis suis solitis et consuetis pro tribunali sedere contigerit per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum predictam peremptorie fieri voluerunt et mandarunt. Presentibus ibidem religioso viro domino Petro de Cappellis Abbate monasterii beate Marie Vallepontis Perusine dioceseos necnon venerabilibus viris dominis Arditinio de Nouario Aduocato Consistorali Iohanne de Louanio in Romana curia causarum procuratore et Bernardo de Cassanoua presbitero Aquense et quam pluribus aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Testes depos uerunt super recognicionem sigillorum signorum etc. ut hic.

Iustancia Io de Scribanis procuratoris domini commissarii habuerunt sigilla signa etc dicti Rotuli pro recognito et rotulum pro aperto. x

Instante domino Iohanne de Scribanis procuratore domini commissarii decreuerunt citacionem contra omnes et singulos sua interesse credentes ad videndum publicari dicta testimonia etc ad iuridicam diem per audienciam contradictarum.

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Tenores vero Citacionis antedicte pergameni cedule necnon Rotuli unde supra fit mencio sequuntur et sunt tales.

Citatis audiencie ad dicendum contra commissionem ad videndum recognosci rotulum ac ipsum aperiri per magistrum Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem producta.

Mandant Reuerendissimi patres domini Gabriel Senensis Petrus de fuxo presbiteri et Lucidus de Comitibus diaconus sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales Iudices et Commissarii super infrascriptis a sanctissimo domino nostro domino Martino papa Quinto specialiter deputati Citari peremptorie in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum domini nostri pape ut moris est et Citant omnes et singulos sua communiter uel diuisim interesse putantes et eorum procuratores si qui sint in curia Romana pro eisdem quatinus prima die Iuridica proxima futura qua eosdem dominos Commissarios ad Iura reddendum in ecclesia sanctorum Apostolorum immediate post consistorium domini nostri pape pro tribunali sedere contigerit Compareant in Iudicio legitime coram eis Ad dicendum et opponendum quidquid dicere et opponere xi voluerint verbotenus aut in scriptis contra Commissionem eis per dictum dominum nostrum papam factam in causa canonizacionis bone memorie domini Osmundi olim Episcopi Saresbiriensis que vertitur coram ipsis dominis Commissariis inter dictos citatos ex una parte et Reuerendum patrem dominum Episcopum Saresbiriensem ac decanum et Capitulum ecclesie Saresbiriensis de et super canonizacione predicta et ipsius occasione parte ex altera necnon ad recognoscendum et recognosci videndum nonnulla sigilla cuidam rotulo de partibus reportato appensa seu impressa. Ipsumque rotulum aperiri videndum ac eciam recognoscendum et recognosci videndum signum et subscriptionem notarii in eodem rotulo subscripti Alioquin in dicta causa prout Iuris fuerit procedetur dictorum Citatorum absencia seu contumia in aliquo Data. non obstante Datum Rome die vndecima mensis decembris Pontificatus dicti domini nostri domini Martini pape Quinti Anno Octauo.

Rotulus per magistrum Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem productus.

Nomina Iudicum siue commissariorum in partibus qui huiusmodi rotulum transmiserunt.

Sanctissimo in Xro patri et domino nostro domino Martino diuina prudencia sacrosancte Romane ac vniuersalis ecclesie summo Pontifici Deuotissime vestre sanctitatis creature Henricus Wyntonensis et Thomas Herefordensis Episcopi Iudices ad infrascripta et sub forma subscripta vnacum Reuerendo in Xro patre domino Iacobo Episcopo Tergestino nostro in hac parte Collega tunc in Regno presente nunc vero extra Regnum Anglie

notorie degente cum illa clausula quatenus si vos omnes hiis xi *b*
exequendis non poteritis interesse domino vestrum vel domino
alii in dignitatibus ecclesiasticis constituti etc prout in literis
vestris apostolicis continetur a sede vestra apostolica delegati
humilimam obedienciam et reuerenciam tante vestre dignitati
apostolice debitas deuotaque vestre sanctitatis pedum oscula
beatorum literas vestras apostolicas vera vestre sanctitatis bulla
plumbea cum cordula canapi more Romane curie bullatas
sanas et integras ac omni prorsus vicio et suspicione
carentes nobis directas et pro parte Reuerendi in Xro patris
domini Iohannis dei Gracia Episcopi ac decani et Capituli
Saresbiriensis nobis presentatas nos vnacum dicto nostro
Collega tunc presente iam absente cum omni humilitate
et reuerencia qua detur nuper recepimus tenorem qui sequitur
continentes. Martinus Episcopus seruus seruorum dei venera- Bulla inserta.
bilibus fratribus Iacobo Tergestino in regno Anglie apostolice
sedis nuncio et Wintonensi et Herefordensi episcopis Salutem et
apostolicam benedictionem humilibus supplicum votis illis pre-
sertim que ad imitanda sanctorum vestigia inducunt alios per
exemplum ex fidedigno testimonio illorum memorie recolende
libenter annuimus eaque fauoribus prosequamur oportunis. Sane
pro parte venerabilis fratris nostri Iohannis Episcopi et dilectorum
filiorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis nobis nuper xii
exhibita peticio continebat quod olim bone memorie Osmundus
Episcopus Saresbiriensis dum ageret in humanis accensus eximio
fidei catholice et deuocionis feruore ac cupiens terrena in celestia
et transitoria in eterna felici commercio commutare eandem
ecclesiam de bonis sibi adeo collatis fundauit et erexit et quatuor
dignitates et triginta duos Canonicatus eum totidem prebendis
instituit in eadem eamque ecclesiam de bonis suis pro sustenta-
cione illorum qui inibi in diuinis pro tempore deseruirent
sufficienter dotauit prefate ecclesie terras possessiones comitatus
sui dorsetie et alia contexendo ad eum tunc legitime pertinencia
realiter conferendo atque donando, et nichilominus ut persone
ecclesiastice et alii beneficiati in ipsa ecclesia diuinis obsequiis
intendentes melius et vtilius profitere possent non mediocrem
librorum et aliorum ornamentorum ecclesiasticorum dotem eidem
ecclesie prebuit et concessit. Ipsamque denique quam pluribus
ad bene et Religiose viuendi dogmatibus insigniuit usque adeo
quod tempore eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi in dicta ecclesia maxime

vigebant ecclesiastice discipline tam in moribus quam in vita quarumlibet personarum degencium in eadem. Nam hic Osmundus pater religiosissimus ac laudabilis conuersacionis et vite ac
xii *b* miris virtutibus insignitus tante sanctitatis in vita fuisse asseritur in quem diuina clemencia graciam sue benignitatis infudit quod post eius obitum crebis miraculis claruit propter que Episcopi Saresbirienses successores sui pia intencione moti ac contemplantes sanctimoniam vite eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi quem tamquam deo acceptum aliorum imitando vestigia ascribi sanctorum cathologo cupiebant, felicis recordacionis Gregorio pape Nono predecessori nostro humiliter supplicarunt ut prius per illos viros graues et expertos quibus Id[em] duceret committendum de sanctimonia vite virtutibus ac miraculis eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi receptis informacionibus et testimoniis fidedignis prout tante rei grauitas exigebat eum sanctorum dei cathologo ascribere dignaretur. Idem predecessor intendens in huiusmodi causa iuxta rei rei grauitatem cum debita deliberacione et maturitate procedere bone memorie Bathoniensi et Conuentrensi Episcopis ac dilecto filio Abbati monasterii de Stanley ordinis Cisterciensis Saresbiriensis dioceseos eorum propriis nominibus non expressis suis dedit literis in mandatis vt super vita et miraculis prefati Osmundi Episcopi diligenter inquirerent et se informarent et quidquid per inquisicionem et informacionem huiusmodi de sanctimonia vite atque miraculis Osmundi inuenirent veritate fulciri ac totum exinde formatum processum eorum sigillis munitum ad eundem predecessorem remitterent per eum examinandum secundum
xiii exigenciam et continenciam inuentorum. Postmodum vero prefati Commissarii ad execucionem literarum dicti predecessoris iuxta Commissionem super hiis eis ut premittitur factam ad huiusmodi rei veritatem inuestigandam legitime procedentes ac de sanctimonia vite et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi diligencius inquirentes, nonnullos testes bone opinionis et fame reputatos et habitos examinarunt. Quorum deposiciones et attestaciones in dicta ecclesia in scripturis auctenticis et in archiuis ab illo tempore citra remanserunt et inibi conservantur. Denique super premissis propter negligenciam et desidiam eorum quorum intererat necnon varietatem et mutacionem temporum in huiusmodi causa vlterius non processo tandem successu temporis huiusmodi materia quorum bone memorie Angelo Corario in vniuersali ecclesia Episcopo tunc Gregorio in eius obedienciam

de qua partes ille tunc erant duodecimo nuncupato Pro parte Episcopi Saresbiriensi qui tunc erat solempniter proposita in publico consistorio suo prefatus Episcopus tunc Gregorius duodecimus bone memorie Francisco titulo sanctorum quatuor Coronatorum presbitero Cardinali commisit vt in huiusmodi negocio et rei veritate indaganda se diligenter informaret et quidquid per informacionem huiusmodi inueniret sibi referret. Qui Cardinalis antequam de premissis se informaret et referret fuit sicut domino placuit vitafunctus. Cum autem, sicud eadem xiii *b*
peticio subiungebat, prefati modernus Episcopus Saresbiriensis decanus et Capitulum dignum fore existimantes quod Thesaurus longo tempore absconditus Christi-fidelibus ostendatur et tamquam lucerna lucens ad aliorum exempla et instructionem Christi fidelibus pateat, cupiantes pro exaltacione nominis Iesu Christi ac splendore gloria et honore eorum ecclesie vt super premissis ad examinacionem eiusdem processus et alia presentem causam concernencia vsque ad canonizacionem eiusdem sancti per sedem apostolicam procedatur, Pro parte moderni episcopi decani et Capituli predictorum nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum vt in premissis oportune prouidere de benignitate apostolica dignaremur, Nos igitur, de premissis certam noticiam non habentes, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati vestre, de qua in hiis et aliis Commissio iudicibus in partibus facta.
specialem in domino fiduciam obtinemus, per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus quatinus processus super premissis vita et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi per eosdem Commissarios habitos et formatos auctoritate nostra cum debita maturitate et grauitate prout in tanta re conuenit recensentes et examinantes et in formam auctenticam redigentes de premissis omnibus et eorum circumstanciis vniuersis eadem auctoritate nostra vos informetis et inquiratis diligencius veritatem. Et nichilominus ad recepcionem testium probacionum et informacionum fidedignorum prout expediens esse noueritis in huiusmodi causa ad vlteriora xiiii
procedatis, prout vestre discrecioni videbitur conuenire. Volumus autem quod totum processum in huiusmodi causa, tam per eosdem Commissarios formatum quam per vos vigore presencium habendum et formandum, in publica et auctentica forma vestris sigillis munitum per proprium nuncium ad nos destinare curetis, ut nos deinde per huiusmodi vestram informacionem de premissis sufficienter instructi si premissa nobis constiterit vera esse, Idemque Osmundus Episcopus sue vite sanctimonia et miraculis

exposcentibus sanctorum Cathologo ascribi mereatur, super eius Canonizacionem in forma ecclesie consueta seruatis de more solempnitatibus deo auctore et duce deliberare valeamus. Quodque si vos omnes hiis exequendis non poteritis interesse duo vestrum vel duo alii in dignitatibus ecclesiasticis constituti laudabilis conuersacionis et vite qui habeant pre oculis solum deum per vos super hoc specialiter deputandi ea nichilominus exequanter. Datum Rome apud Sanctum Mariam Maiorem Idus Julii Pontificatus nostri Anno sexto. Quarum Apostolicarum auctoritate literarum quia nos vestra sanctitate delegati supradicti certis aliis arduis per nos tractandis negociis tunc legitime prepediti predictis literis vestris apostolicis exequendis nequiuimus personaliter interesse, duobus aliis in dignitatibus ecclesiasticis constitutis laudabilis conuersacionis et vite, videlicet Religiosis viris Abbati de Bynedon ordinis Cisterciensis Saresbiriensis et Priori de Bremmore ordinis sancti Augustini Wintoniensis dioceseos, per certas nostre commissionis literas, quarum tenorem litera nostris presentibus literis annexa comprehendit, in vim auctoritatis vestre apostolice nobis ut prefertur commisse, Subdelegauimus et commisimus vices nostras ad exequendum dictas vestras literas apostolicas ac ad procedendum et faciendum exercendum et expediendum omnia et singula in eisdem ac nostre Commissionis literis contenta iuxta omnem vim formam et effectum et exigenciam earumdem. Quiquidem subdelegati, per nos ut prefertur auctoritate vestra apostolica deputati in negocio eis commisso precedens dictum vestrum rescriptum apostolicum nostrumque ymmoverius vestre sanctitatis mandatum eis iniunctum in omnibus et per omnia diligenter et obedienter sunt executi, prout per eorum literas certificatorias et quoddam transcriptum seu quoddam Instrumentum publicum eis annexum exinde confecta eorum sigillis ac notariorum publicorum subscripcionibus roborata et nobis transmissa, in quibus totus et plenus processus tam per eos quam per alios quoscunque sedis apostolice commissarios hactenus in de et super prefato negocio formatus et auctentice conreptus necnon omnia et singula per eos acta gesta exercita et inuenta predictum negocium concernencia plenius continentur manifeste poterit et euidenter apparere. Que omnia nobis per dictos subdelagatos ut prefertur transmissa per nos cum diligencia nobis possibili visa et diligenter examinata literisque nostris presentibus annexa et clausa per nostrum proprium motum

Data bulle.

Subdelegacio.

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Nomina subdelegatoram.

Continuacio processus facta per subdelegatos siue narracio eiusdem continuacionis.

xv.

vestre sanctitati destinamus, ut eadem vestra sanctitas visis processu et commissi nobis negocii meritis instructa super canonizacione prefati Osmundi quondam Saresbiriensis Episcopi valeat deliberare, Ceteraque circa ipsius Canonizacionis felicem expedicionem necessaria peragere que incumbunt apostolice vestre dignitati. In quorum omnium et singulorum fidem et testimonium ac plenariam certitudinem Nos Henricus Wintoniensis et Thomas Herefordensis Episcopi vestre sanctitatis delegati supradicti, tertio nostro Collega tunc temporis facte per nos subdelegationis presente nunc vero in partibus exteris agente, ut prefertur, has literas nostras certificatorias in formam Instrumenti publici redactas quibus totus et plenus processus commissum nobis per vestram sanctitatem ut prefertur concernens negocium tam per dictos Subdelegatos quam per quoscumque sedis apostolice Commissarios hactenus factus et habitus in publica et auctentica forma conreptus per nos est annexus exinde fieri et per discretos viros magistros Ricardum Petteworth et Willelmam Hardyng notarios publicos infrascriptos de mandato meo prefati Henrici Episcopi Wintoniensis subscribi et auctenticari fecimus et mandamus nostrorumque sigillorum appensionibus illas fecimus communiri. Data et acta sunt hec primo per me predictum Henricum Episcopum Wintoniensem Anno domini millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimoquarto Indictione secunda Pontificatus vestri Anno Septimo mensis Iunii die quinta In manerio meo in Seuthwerk Wintoniensis diocesos prope London Presentibus ibidem discretis viris Magistro Nicolao Bildeston[a] legum doctore ac dominis Willelmo Robbe et Petro Fader Norwicensis Exoniensis et Bathoniensis diocesum testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis. Data. xv *b*

Et ego Richardus Petteworth clericus Cicestrensis dioceseos publicus auctoritatibus apostolica et Imperiali Notarius ac prefati Reuerendi patris domini Henrici Episcopi Wintoniensis delegati supradicti scriba premissarum literarum certificatoriarum suprascriptorum subdelegatorum presentacioni recepcioni appericioni et connexioni et clausure earumque signorum et sigillorum recognicioni ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sicut premittitur per prefatum Reuerendum patrem dominum Henricum Episcopum et Subscripcio notarii.

[a] Prebendary of Sneating in St. Paul's Cath. 1420, of Bedwin in Salisbury Cath. 1425, Dean of Salisbury 1435; he died on the 31st of May, 1441.

delegatum predictum ac coram eo agebantur et fiebant sub anno Indictione Pontificatu mense die et loco predictis vnacum magistro Willelmo Harding notario testibusque suprascriptis presens interfui ac ea omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui Scripsi publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi et manu etiam mea propria hic me subscribendo signo et nomine meis solitis et consuetis unacum appensione sigilli prefati domini Episcopi Wintoniensis delegati ut supra signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

xvi
Data secunda.

Et deinde per me Thomam Herefordensem Episcopum predictum Sub Anno domini Indictione Pontificatuque predictis mensis Iunii die tertiadecima in Manerio meo de [a]Whyteborn Herefordensis dioceseos presentibus discretis viris magistris [b]Roberto Holyday alias Uncet et [c]Iohanne Berewe in legibus bacallario Eboracensis et Herefordensis dioceseum testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Subscripcio alterius notarii.

Et ego Philippus Mason clericus Herefordensis dioceseos publicus auctoritate Apostolica notarius ac prefati Reuerendi patris domini Thome Herefordensis Episcopi delegati supradicti Scriba premissarum literarum certificatoriarum suprascriptarum subdelegatorum presentacioni recepcioni apericioni et clausure Ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur per prefatum Reverendum patrem dominum Thomam Episcopum et delegatum predictum ac coram eo agebantur et fiebant Sub Anno Indictione Pontificatu mense die et loco predictis vnacum magistro Willelmo Hardyng notario publico testibusque suprascriptis presens interfui ac ea omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui easdemque literas certificatorias in forma qua supra scriptas publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi manu eciam mea propria hic me subscribendo signo et nomine meis solitis et consuetis vnacum appensione sigilli prefati domini Episcopi Herefordensis delegati vt supra signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

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[a] On the borders of Herefordshire and Worcestershire on the river Teme, about six miles from Bromyard. The Bishops of Hereford had a palace there, the remains of which are, or quite lately were, occupied as a farm house.

[b] Perhaps Robert Holyday, who became Preb: of Withington Parva in Hereford Cath: c 1425; he died 1428.

[c] Succeeded the above-named Robert Holyday in his prebend; he became Dean of Hereford in 1446; he died in 1462.

Et ego Willelmus Hardyng clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos publicus auctoritate apostolica notarius ac prefatorum Reueren dorum patrum Episcoporum et delegatorum in hac parte Scriba premissarum literarum certificatoriarum dictorum Subdelegatorum presentacioni recepcioni appericioni connexioni et clausure earumque signorum et sigillorum recognicioni ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur per prefatos reuerendos patres dominos Episcopos et delegatos et coram eis agebantur et fiebant sub anno Indictione Pontificatu mense die et loco predictis per prefatum magistrum Richardum Petteworth descriptis vnaccum eodem magistro Richardo notario publico et testibus superius per eum nominatis coram eodem domino Episcopo Wintoniense primo Et deinde cum prefato magistro Philippo Mason et testibus per eum nominatis coram dicto domino Herefordense Anno die et loco per dictum magistrum Philippum nominatis et descriptis presens interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui aliundeque occupatus per alium scribi feci publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi manuque mea propria hic me subscripsi ac signo et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensione sigillorum dictorum Reuerdorum patrum Episcoporum delegatorum signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

Subscripcio tercii notarii.

Reuerendis in Xro patribus et dominis dominis Iacobo Tergestino in Regno Anglie apostolice sedis nuncio Henrico Wintoniense ac Thome Harfordense Episcopis Iudicibus a sede apostolica ad infrascripta et sub forma subscripta delegatis vestri humiles et deuoti Abbas Monasterii de Bynedon ordinis Cisterciensis Saresbiriensis ac Prior Prioratus de Bremmore ordinis Sancti Augustini Wintonienis dioceseos obedienciam et reuerenciam tantis patribus et Iudicibus debitas in honore. Commissionis vestre literas reuerendas sigillis vestris sigillatas ac signo et subscripcione magistri Ricardi Petteworth notarii publici subscripti in eisdem signatas nobis in ecclesia Cathedrali Saresbiriense decimo-octauo die mensis Ianuarii anno domini millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo-tercio per discretum virum magistrum Alexandrum Sparwe Canonicum Saresbiriensem Reuerendi in Christo patris domini Iohannis dei Gracia Episcopi Saresbiriensis ac venerabilium virorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis predicte procuratorem in hac parte sufficienter deputatum mandatum suum procuratorium in hac parte tam ipsius domini

Rescripcio subdelegatorum ad iudices principales in partibus existentes. xvii

Nomina subdelegatorum.

Episcopi quam decani et Capituli predictorum sigillis communitum producentem cum literis apostolicis in notariorum Scribarumque nostrorum ac testium subscriptorum presencia presentatas cum omni qua decuit reuerencia recepimus. Quarum literarum apostolicarum et Commissionis veri tenores sequuntur in hunc modum. Iacobus Tergestinus in Regno Anglie apostolice sedis nuncius Henricus Wintoniensis et Thomas Herefordensis Episcopi Iudices delegati a sede apostolica ad infrascripta et sub forma subscripta deputati Religiosis viris Abbati Monasterii de Bynedon ordinis Cisterciensis Saresbiriensis ac Priori Prioratus de Bremmore ordinis sancti Augustini Wintoniensis dioceseos Salutem Graciam et benedictionem; literas sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini domini Martini diuina prudencia pape Quinti cius vera bulla plumbea cum cordula canapis more Romane curie bullatas sanas et integras ac omni vicio et sinistra suspicione carentes nobis per partem Reuerendi in Christo patris domini Iohannis dei Gracia Saresbiriensis Episcopi ac venerabilium virorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis presentatas cum omni reuerencia qua decet noueritis nos recepisse sub forma *qua sequitur verborum. Martinus Episcopus seruus seruorum dei venerabilibus fratribus Iacobo Tergestino in Regno Anglie apostolice sedis nuncio et Wintoniensi ac Herefordensi Episcopis Salutem et apostolicam benedictionem, humilibus supplicum votis illis presertim que ad imitandum tantorum vestigia inducunt alios per exemplum ex fidedigno testimonio illorum memorie recolende libenter annuimus eaque fauoribus persequimur oportunis. Sane pro parte venerabilis fratris nostri Iohannis Episcopi et dilectorum filiorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis nobis nuper exhibita petitio continebat quod olim bone memorie Osmundus episcopus Saresbiriensis dum ageret in humanis accensus eximio fidei catholice et deuocionis feruore ac cupiens terrena in celestia et transitoria in eterna felici commercio commutare, eandam ecclesiam de bonis sibi adeo collatis fundauit et erexit, et quatuor dignitates et trigintaduos Canonicatus cum totidem prebendis instituit in eadem, eamque ecclesiam de bonis suis pro sustentacione illorum qui inibi in diuinis pro tempore deseruirent, sufficienter dotauit prefate ecclesie terras possessiones Comitatus sui Dorsetie et alia contexendo ad eum tunc legitime pertinencia realiter conferendo atque donando. Et nichilominus ut persone ecclesiastice et alii beneficiati in ipsa ecclesia diuinis obsequiis

Subdelegacio infrascripta. xvii *b*

* *sic.*

Bulla principalis infrascripta.

xviii.

intendentes melius et vtilius proficere possent, non mediocrem librorum et aliorum ornamentorum ecclesiasticorum dotem eidem ecclesie prebuit et concessit. Ipsamque demique quam pluribus ad bene et religiose viuendum dogmatibus insigniuit, usque adeo quod tempore eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi in dicta ecclesia maxime vigebant ecclesiastice discipline tam in moribus quam in vita quarumlibet personarum degencium in eadem. Nam hic Osmundus pater religiosissimus ac laudabilis conuersacionis et vite ac miris virtutibus insignitus tante sanctitatis in vita fuisso asseritur in quem diuina clemencia graciam sue benignitatis infudit, quod post eius obitum crebris miraculis claruit, propter xviii *b*
que Episcopi Saresbirienses successores sui pia intencione moti ac contemplantes sanctimoniam vite eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi quem tamquam deo acceptum aliorum mutando vestigia ascribi sanctorum cathologo cupiebant, felicis recordacionis Gregorio pape nono predecessori nostro humiliter supplicarunt ut prius per illos viros graues et expertos quibus id duceret committendum de Sanctimonia vite virtutibus ac miraculis eiusdem Osmundi Episcopi receptis informacionibus et testimoniis fidedignis, prout tante rei grauitas exigebat, eum sanctorum dei cathologo ascribere dignaretur. Idem predecessor intendens in huiusmodi causa iuxta rei grauitatem cum debita diliberacione et maturitate procedere, bone memorie Batoniensi et Couentrensi Episcopis ac dilecto filio Abbati Monasterii de Stanley ordinis Cysterciensis Saresbiriensis dioceseos, eorum propriis nominibus non expressis, suis dedit literis in mandatis ut super vita et miraculis prefati Osmundi Episcopi diligenter inquirerent et se informarent, et quidquid per inquisicionem et informacionem huiusmodi de Sanctimonia vite atque miraculis Osmundi Episcopi Inuenirent veritate felici ac totum exinde per eos formatum processum eorum sigillis munitum ad eundem predecessorem remitterent per eum examinandum secundum exigenciam et continenciam inuentorum. Postmodum vero xix
prefati Commissarii ad execucionem literarum dicti predecessoris iuxta Commissionem super hiis eis ut premittitur factam ad huiusmodi rei veritatem inuestigandam legitime procedentes, ac de sanctimonia vite et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi diligencius inquirentes, nonullos testes bone opinionis et fame reputatos et habitos examinarunt, quorum deposiciones et attestaciones in dicta ecclesia in scripturis auctenticis et in archiuis ab illo

tempore citra remanserunt et inibi conseruantur. Denique super premissis propter negligenciam et desidiam eorum quorum intererat, necnon varietatem et mutacionem temporum, in huiusmodi causa vlterius non processo, tandem successu temporis huiusmodi materia coram bone memorie Angelo Corario in vniuersali ecclesia Episcopo tunc Gregorio in eius obediencia de qua partes ille tunc erant duodecimo nuncupato pro parte Episcopi Saresbiriensis qui tunc erat solempniter proposita in publico consistorio suo prefatus Episcopus tunc Gregorius duodecimus bone memorie Francisco titulo sanctorum quatuor coronatorum presbitero Cardinali commisit, ut in huiusmodi negocio et rei veritate indaganda se diligenter informaret et quidquid per informacionem huiusmodi inueniret sibi referret, qui Cardinalis, antequam de premissis se informaret et referret, fuit, sicut domino placuit, vita functus. Cum autem sicut eadem
xix *b* petitio subiungebat prefati modernus episcopus Saresbiriensis Decanus et Capitulum dignum fore existimantes quod Thesaurus longo tempore absconditus Christi fidelibus ostendatur et tamquam lucerna lucens ad aliorum exempla et instructionem Christi fidelibus pateat cupiantes pro exaltacione nominis Iesu Christi ac splendore gloria et honore eorum ecclesie ut super premissis ad examinacionem eiusdem processus et alia presentem causam concernencia vsque ad canonizacionem eiusdem sancti per sedem apostolicam procedatur pro parte moderni episcopi decani et Capituli predictorum nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum vt in premissis oportune prouidere de benignitate apostolica dignaremur. Nos igitur, de premissis certam noticiam non habentes, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati uestre de qua in hiis et aliis specialem in domino fiduciam obtinemus, per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus quatinus processus super premissis vita et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi per eosdem Commissarios habitos et formatos auctoritate nostra cum debita maturitate et grauitate prout in tanta re conuenit recensentes et examinantes et in formam auctenticam redigentes de premissis omnibus et eorum circumstanciis vniuersis eadem auctoritate nostra vos informetis et inquiratis diligencius veritatem, et nichilominus ad recepcionem testium probacionum et informacionum fidedignorum, prout expediens esse noueritis, in huiusmodi causa ad vlteriora procedatis prout vestre discrecioni
xx videbitur conuenire. Volumus autem quod totum processum in

huiusmodi causa tam per eosdem Commissarios formatum quam per vos vigore presencium habendum et formandum in publica et auctentica forma vestris sigillis munitum per proprium nuncium ad nos destinare curetis, ut nos deinde per huiusmodi vestram informacionem de premissis sufficienter instructi si premissa nobis constiterit vera esse, Idemque Osmundus episcopus sue vite sanctimonia et miraculis exposcentibus Sanctorum Cathalogo ascribi mereatur super eius canonizacione in forma ecclesie consueta seruatis de more solempnitatibus deo auctore et duce deliberare valeamus, quodque si uos omnes hiis exequendis non poteritis interesse duo vestrum uel duo alii in dignitatibus ecclesiasticis constituti laudabilis conuersacionis et vite qui habeant pre oculis solum deum per vos super hoc specialiter deputandi ea nichilominus exequantur. Datum Rome apud Sanctam-mariam-maiorem Idus Iulii Pontificatus nostri Anno Sexto. Post quarumquidem literarum apostolicarum predictarum presentacionem et earum recepcionem fuimus per partem dicti Reuerendi patris domini Iohannis Saresbiriensis Episcopi ac decani et Capituli predictorum cum instancia debita sepius et legitime requisiti ut ad execucionem dictarum literarum apostolicarum et contentorum in eisdem iuxta ipsarum literarum apostolicarum exigenciam vim et formam ac effectum earumdem procedere dignaremur, verum quia aliis arduis negotiis et diuersis multipliciter et legitime Sumus prepediti quominus circa execucionem xx *b*
dictarum literarum apostolicarum et contentorum in eisdem personaliter intendere valeamus, vobis coniunctim de quorum fidelitate et circumspectionis industria plenam in domino fiduciam reportamus ad exequendum dictas literas apostolicas atque exercendum et expediendum omnia et singula in eis contenta ac de et super eisdem cognoscendum iuxta Earumdem literarum apostolicarum exigenciam formam et effectum ac prout et sicut nosmet Iudices delegati antedicti in vim auctoritatis predicte uobis ut prefertur commisse cognoscere exequi facere exercere et expedire in premissis et ea concernentibus atque circa ea possemus et deberemus committimus vices nostras atque plenariam potestatem in premissis per presentes. Mandantes uobis et mandamus firmiter inuingendo in vim auctoritatis predicte nostre quatinus de toto processu per vos et coram vobis in hac parte habendo ac de omni eo quod in premissis et ea tangentibus feceritis et inueneritis cum per partem dicti Reuerendi patris domini Iohannis Saresbiriensis

Episcopi ac decani et Capituli predictorum fueritis super hoc congrue requisiti nos Iudices delegatos apostolicos antedictos per literas vestras certificatorias et clausas harum seriem continentes ac totum et plenum processum premissa tangentem per quoscunque et quomodocunque hactenus formatum siue formandum debite et
xxj auctentice conceptum eisdem vestris litteris certificatoriis per vos fideliter annectendum et clausum eciam debite et auctentice certificetis vestrisque sigillis consignatis. In quorum omnium singulorum premissorum fidem et testimonium presentis nostre Commissionis literas siue presens publicum Instrumentum ipsam nostram Commissionem in se continentes siue continens exinde fieri et per discretum virum magistrum Rycardum Petteworth notarium publicum subscriptum subscribi et in hanc publicam formam redigi mandauimus nostrorumque sigillorum appensionibus fecimus
Data subdelegacionis. communiri. Data et Acta sunt hec Anno domini Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo tercio Indictione secunda Pontificatus dicti domini nostri pape Anno septimo mensis Nouembris die duodecima in hospicio Reuerendi patris et domini domini Episcopi Wintoniensis supradicti in quadam domuncula vocata parua Camera vitrea manerii eiusdem Reuerendi patris et domini in Southewerk Wintoniensis dioceseos. Presentibus tunc ibidem venerabilibus et discretis viris magistro Nicolao Byldeston[a] legum doctore ac domino Thoma Marchall Canonico Cicestrense Tes-
Subscripcio notarii. tibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et requisitis. Et ego Ricardus Petteworth clericus Cicestrensis dioceseos publicus auctoritatibus apostolica et Imperiali notarius dictarum literarum apostolicarum presentacioni ac earumdem cum humili ac omni qua decuit reuerencia receptioni et admissioni ac dum prout per supradictum
xxi *b* Reuerendum patrem Iacobum Tergestinum voce eciam et organo prefatorum Collegarum suorum Wintoniensis et Herefordiensis Episcoporum primitus ac deinde per eosdem Reuerendos patres dictos dominos Wyntoniensem et Herefordensem eciam viua voce et de ore proprio huiusmodi literarum apostolicarum execucio, supradictis Abbati et Priori absentibus, committebatur et fiebat, ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur sub Anno domini Indictione mense die et loco predictis agebantur et processerunt vnacum prenominatis testibus presens personaliter interfui ac ea omnia et singula sic fieri vidi audiui et me aliunde occupato per alium scribi feci publicaui et in hanc publicam

[a] Dean of Salisbury 1435—1441.

formam redegi necnon signo et nomine meo solitis et consuetis signaui rogatus et specialiter requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum. Quibusquidem literis vnacum dicto procuratorio per nos receptis et coram nobis publice lectis et intellectis magister Alexander Sparwe procurator predictus nomine quo supra nobis humiliter supplicauit quatinus ad execucionem debitam dictarum literarum et contentorum in eisdem iuxta vim formam et effectum earumdem procedere curaremus. Nos igitur, Abbas et Prior Subdelegati siue Commissarii antedicti, volentes vestre Commissionis literas antedictas ac omnia et singula in eis contenta reuerenter exequi ut tenemur, ad instantem dicti procuratoris postulacionem, archiua dicte ecclesie, in quibus carte munimenta processus documenta et alia negocium nobis commissum concernencia fuerunt et sunt conseruata, decreuimus fore perscrutanda, ad que Archiua vnacum notariis et testibus infrascriptis personaliter accessimus et ea sub ceruris in domo Capitulari dicte ecclesie firmiter clausa inuenientes aperiri fecimus eadem, quibus apertis cartas munimenta processus et documenta huiusmodi vnacum attestacionibus testium super miraculis dicti Osmundi quondam per sedis apostolice Commissarios admissorum et examinatorum in scripturis antiquis redacta ibidem per nos inuenta extraximus de eisdem, que omnia necnon quoddam scriptum in quodam libro cronicarum fidedigno vocato[a] policronica Cestrensis de dicto Osmundo commemorans, ac quamdam proposicionem solempnem coram felicis recordacionis Gregorio papa duodecimo in Romana curia per ipsius Aduocatum pro obtinenda dicti Osmundi Canonizacione factam more dicte Curie subscriptam et signatam, quarum cronice et proposicionis tenores inferius conscribuntur per magistrum Robertum Broun prefatorum Reuerendi patris Episcopi ac decani et Capituli Sarum procuratorem sufficienter constitutum, coram nobis exhibita cum debita maturitate prout in tanta re conuenit vidimus palpauimus recensuimus et examinauimus diligenter. Quibus per nos visis palpatis recensitis et examinatis ea omnia et singula prefatum negocium tangencia per discretos viros magistros Wilhelmum Hardyng et [a]Johannem Draper notarios publicos

Continuacio processus coram subdelegatis habiti.

Nomen procuratoris prosequentis.

xxii.

Extractio scripturarum ex Archiuis etc. ecclesie Saresbiriensis.

xxii *b*

[a] Higden's Polychronicon.

[a] Chapter Clerk of Salisbury 1402—1405. He was "socius domus Vallis Scholarium beati Nicholai Sarum" (the College of Vaux), he died in 1432 and desired to be buried in the College Chapel.

scribasque nostros in hac parte subscriptos fideliter transcribi et transumi ac in publicam et auctenticam formam redigi mandauimus et fecimus, et quid facta per nos collacione diligenti de eisdem transcriptis et transumptis cum originalibus documentis et munimentis memoratis inuenimus ea in omnibus concordare, eadem auctenticauimus tantamque fidem eis adhibendum fore decreuimus sicut originalibus documentis antedictis. Et nichilominus subsequenter ad recepcionem et examinacionem testium probacionum et informacionum fidedignorum coram nobis per partem dictorum Reuerendi patris ac decani et Capituli Saresbiriensis de nouo producendorum et ad ulteriora in huiusmodi negocio circa dictarum apostolicarum vestreque Commissionis literarum execucionem necessaria seu oportuna prout expediens esse nouimus dicto decimo-octauo die mensis Ianuarii anno domini supradicto cum continuacione dierum extunc sequencium vsque ad finalem expedicionem negocii antedicti per nos fore procedendum decernentes, testes coram nobis dictis diebus continuatis per magistrum Robertum Broun procuratorem predictum productos admisimus et examinauimus in debita forma
xxiii Iuris Sicque et taliter ut prefertur auctoritate vestra ymouerius apostolica supradicta de vita et miraculis dicti Osmundi ac de et super deductis in literis apostolicis contentis et aliis circumstanciis eadem deducta concernentibus concernentibus nos informauimus et inquisiuimus diligencius veritatem. Ceteraque omnia et singula fecimus exercuimus et expediuimus iuxta ipsarum literarum apostolicarum vestreque Commissionis vim formam et effectum et prout earum tenores exigunt et requirunt. Que vnacum veris tenoribus cartarum munimentorum processuum et aliorum documentorum et attestacionum miraculorum antiquorum de Archiuis ut premittitur extractorum necnon attestacionum testium per nos et coram nobis examinatorum in Instrumento siue transcripto hiis literis nostris certificatoriis annexo et clauso vestris paternitatibus reuerendis transmittimus et destinamus. In cuius quidem nostri processus antedicti fidem et testimonium presentes nostras literas certificatorias in formam Instrumenti publici redactas exinde fieri et per *discretos *viros notarios publicos scribasque nostros supradictos subscribi et in hanc publicam formam redigi mandauimus nostrorumque sigillorum appensionibus fecimus communiri. Data et Acta sunt hec prout suprascribuntur et per nos recitantur In ecclesia Cathedrali Sares-

* These two words are added in another hand at the end of a line.

Data.

biriense Anno domini ab incarnacione eiusdem secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo-tercio Indictione Secunda Pontificatus sanctissimi in xxiii *b*
Christo patris et domini nostri domini Martini diuina prudencia pape Quinti supradicti Anno septimo mensis Ianuarii die decimo-octauo et ceteris per nos continuatis diebus ex tunc sequentibus vsque ad duodecimum diem mensis Maii Anno domini Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo-quarto quibus mense die et anno dictum negocium nobis commissum quatenus ad nos pertinebat fuerat expeditum. Presentibus in omnibus et singulis actis nostris supradictis discretis viris magistro Willelmo de Dunham[a] notario publico dominis Petro Fader et Edwardo Foghell in choro ecclesie Saresbiriensis predicte vicariis Linconiensis Bathoniensis et Wyntoniensis dioceseum testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Et ego Willelmus Hardyng clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos Subscripcio uniuș notarii.
publicus auctoritate apostolica notarius ac Religiosorum virorum Abbatis et Prioris Subdelegatorum seu Commissariorum predictorum in huiusmodi eis commisso negocio coram eis Scriba premissarum literarum presentacionibus et recepcionibus decretis et testium admissionibus ceterisque omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur et prout in presentibus literis certificatoriis seu Instrumento publico suprascribuntur et recitantur ac per eosdem subdelegatos et coram eis agebantur et fiebant sub annis domini Indictione Pontificatu mensibus diebus et loco antedictis vnacum xxiii
magistro Iohanne Draper notario publico et testibus superius nominatis presens interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui ac manu mea propria scripsi de mandato dictorum dominorum Subdelegatorum publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi signoque et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensionibus sigillorum dictorum dominorum Subdelegatorum Signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

Et ego Iohannes Draper clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos Subscripcio alterius notarii.
publicus auctoritate apostolica notarius Ac religiosorum virorum Abbatis et Prioris Subdelegatorum seu Commissariorum predictorum in huiusmodi eisdem commisso negocio vnacum prefato

[a] Chapter Clerk of Salisbury 1387—1394 and 1407—1408.

magistro Willelmo Hardyng notario publico coram eis Scriba premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur et prout in presentibus literis certificatoriis seu Instrumento publico Suprascribuntur et recitantur ac per eosdem Subdelegatos et coram eis agebantur et fiebant Sub annis domini Indictione Pontificatu mensibus diebus et loco antedictis vnacum predicto magistro Willelmo Hardyng notario publico et testibus superius nominatis presens interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui ac
xxiiii *b* per dictum magistrum Willelmum Hardyng notarium publicum scripta de mandato dictorum dominorum Subdelegatorum publicaui et in hanc publicam formam redegi manuque mea propria hic me subscripsi ac signo et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensionibus sigillorum dictorum dominorum Subdelegatorum signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

Tenores literarum cartarum munimentorum processuum ac aliorum omnium et singulorum per nos de Archiuis ecclesie Cathedralis Saresbiriensis extractorum vnacum procuratorio in literis nostris certificatoriis predictis expressato et attestacionibus testium tam per alios quam per nos super vita et miraculis Osmundi quondam ecclesie Saresbiriensis Episcopi examinatorum secundum distinctionem rubricarum specialium inferiorum successiue sequuntur in hunc modum.

Tenor procuratorii de quo in literis nostris certificatoriis fit mencio talis est.

Instrumentum procuracionis productum coram dominis subdelegatis.

Nomina constituencium.

Universis et singulis Christi fidelibus presentes literas visuris uel audituris Iohannes dei Gracia Saresbiriensis Episcopus ac Decanus et Capitulum ecclesie Cathedralis Saresbiriensis Salutem in domino Sempiternam. Noueritis quod nos de probitate fidelitate et industria dilectorum nobis in Christo magistrorum Iohannis Symondesburgh Archidiaconi Wiltes Alexandri Sparwe Officialis Saresbiriensis Henrici Harburgh Iohannis Hurlegh Roberti
xxv Broun et [a]Oliuerii Dyneley dicte ecclesie Canonicorum quam
Iste procurator persequutus fuit negocium huiusmodi coram dominis subdelegatis. plurimum confidentes, ipsos nostros certos et indubitatos procuratores actores factores negociorum nostrorum gestores et nuncios speciales coniunctim et diuisim et quemlibet eorum per se et insolidum, Ita quod non sit melior condicio occupantis sed quod

Nomina procuratorum.

[a] Preb: of Yatesbury 1416, of Maior Pars Altaris 1423.

vnus eorum inceperit quilibet eorum prosequi valeat mediare et finire, citra tamen reuocacionem aliorum procuratorum per nos hactenus constitutorum, facimus ordinamus deputamus et constituimus per presentes, dantes et concedentes eisdem procuratoribus nostris coniunctim et eorum cuilibet per se et insolidum, plenam facultatem ac plenariam et liberam protestatem ad sanctam vitam et famam celebrem beati viri Osmundi quondam Saresbiriensis Episcopi ac miracula que ipsius meritis in dicta ecclesia Saresbiriense aliisque locis circumiacentibus operari dignatus est Deus et in dies operatur, uniuersamque deuocionem qua totus populus ipsum veneratur et venerari cupit ut sanctum coram sanctissimo domino nostro papa in Consistorio publico et alias vbi et quociens eis uel eorum alicui videbitur expedire necnon coram quocunque et quibuscunque aliio Iudicibus Auditoribus delegatis subdelegatis et Commissariis auctoritate apostolica ad hoc deputatis seu deputandis, declarandum exponendum et proponendum ac declarari exponi et proponi faciendum, ac coram Iudice seu Iudicibus huiusmodi, ad finem et effectum quod dictus xxv
beatus olim Antistes Osmundus auctoritate sacrosancte sedis apostolice canonizari, et in numero ac cathologo sanctorum poni et connumerari, ac ut sanctus et confessor in terris ab omnibus licite venerari, eiusque sacrum corpus et ossa transferri et reliquiari possit et debeat ac possint et debeant, agendo et prosequendo informaciones posiciones et articulos dandis et faciendis literis testibus processibus et Instrumentis ac aliis quibuscumque probacionum generibus ad ipsius sancte vite fame et miraculorum probacionem ad finem et effectum predictos, necessariis seu quomodo libet oportunis quociens opus fuerit in Iudicio et extra vtendis et illa producenda quecumque etiam Iuramenta licita in huiusmodi negocio et prosecucione eiusdem requisita in animas nostrum constituencium prestanda, Summasque diffinitiuas et Interlocutorias ferri necnon quoscunque processus hactenus per quoscunque et coram quibuscunque Iudicibus seu Commissariis in prefato negocio habitos et formatos et imposterum habendos et formandos publicari et auctenticari, ac in formam publicam et auctenticam redigi iuxta literarum apostolicarum in ea parte nuper transmissarum vim et effectum, petendum et optinendum a quibuscunque etiam grauaminibus in hac parte forsan inferendis supplicandis et appellandis, Apostolos pretendos et appellacionem ac xxvi
appellaciones huiusmodi prosequendas, necnon ad omnia alia et

singula que circa prosecucionem et expedicionem dicti negocii fuerint necessaria vtilia seu quomodolibet oportuna etiam si eorum aliqua superius expressis sint maiora et in se mandatum exigant magis speciale facienda gerenda et prosequenda et que nosmet constituentes predicti faceremus et facere possemus et deberemus si in premissis et quolibet permissorum presencialiter interessemus vnum uel plures procuratorum seu procuratores loco eorum et cuiuslibet eorundem ad omnia et singula premissa substituendos, ac substituendum seu substituendos procuratores huiusmodi reuocandum et procuratoris officium in se reassumendum tociens quociens et quando eis seu eorum alicui videbitur expedire. Pro dictis vero procuratoribus nostris et eorum quolibet necnon substituendo seu substituendis ab eis et quolibet eorumdem nos constituentes supradicti rem ratam haberi de Iudicio sisti et Iudicatum solui sub ypotheca et obligacione omnium bonorum nostrorum promittimus et exponimus cautionem per presentes. In cuius rei testimonium has literas patentes fieri nostrisque sigillorum appensionibus fecimus roborari. Datum in ecclesia Saresbiriense supradicta Quinto-decimo die mensis Ianuarii Anno domini Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo-tercio.

Potestas substituendi.

Ratishabicio et releuacio.

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Tenor literarum apostolicarum felicis recordacionis Gregorii pape Noni alias ad inquirendum super vita et miraculis dicti Osmundi directarum quas Robertus Cappellanus persona de Gyllyngham detulit ad partes in crastino Sancti Swithuni Anno domine Millesimo ducentesimo vicesimo-octauo talis est.

Bulla Gregorii pape noni per dominos subdelegatos in partibus extracta.

Iste Gregorius IXus successit Honorio a° dni MCCXXVII.

[a]Gregorius episcopus seruus seruuorum dei, venerabilibus fratribus Bathoniensi et Conuentrensi Episcopis et dilecto filio Abbati de Stanlegh Cysterciensis ordinis Saresbiriensis dioceseos Salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Magnus et misericors dominus in sanctis suis mirabilis faciens mirabilia in celo sursum et in terra deorsum, coronat in patria quos predestinauit ad vitam, et nonnunquam aliquos ex eos secundum diuiciarum sapiencie ac misericordie sue multitudinem, in via glorificat ad edificacionem fidelium et catholice fidei firmamentum. Ex literis sane venerabilis fratris nostri Episcopi et Capituli Saresbiriensis intelleximus quod pie recordacionis Osmundus Sarum Episcopus cum Sares-

[a] Printed in the Osmund Register, Rolls Series, vol. ii. p. 87.

biriensem ecclesiam suscepisset in ipso sue fundacionis exordio gubernandam, magnam temporalibus maiorem vero Spiritualibus curam impendit. Nam et ipsam ecclesiam magnifice a fundamentis erexit, ornauit libris thesauris et aliis et edificiis possessionibus et terris de proprio ampliauit, ac canonicorum prebendas cum magna deliberacione instituit in eadem, personis ibidem honestis et laudabilibus collocatis; ipsius quoque temporibus eandem xxvii
ecclesiam et personas tunc consistentes in ipsa, deus ex alto respiciens tantam in eis graciam sue benedictionis effudit quod nusquam in toto Regno Anglie eque viguit discipline censura, honestas morum, consiliorum maturitas, auctoritatis pondus, et grauitas personarum. Sicque honestauit eum dominus in laboribus suis et compleuit labores illius, quod eius instituta ad huc pro maiori parte anglicana ecclesia imitatur; fuit enim pietate magnificus et laudabilis sanctitate, et quoniam in vita sua virtutibus claruit, et post obitum miraculorum frequencia choruscauit, eum ascribi sanctorum cathalogo predicti Episcopus et Capitulum instanti deuocione ac deuota instancia petierunt, asserentes dignum existere ut a longo tempore thesaurus absconditus aperiatur fidelibus, et tamquam lucerna lucens ad edificacionem multorum super candelabrum statuatur. Quia vero super hoc cum multa est diligencia et prouidencia procedendum, districte precipiendo mandamus quatinus de vita et miraculis predicti Episcopi diligenter prudenter ac solicite inquiratis, et quod inueneritis fideliter in scriptis redigere ac nobis super sigillis vestris transmittere procuretis, ut super hoc prout faciendum fuerit procedamus. [a]Datum Asisii Tercio Kalendas Iunii Ponti- Data.
ficatus nostri Anno Secundo.

Tenor literarum [b]Ricardi Episcopi post recepcionem literarum apostolicarum predictarum Decano et Capitulo Saresbiriensi super eadem bulla directarum talis est.

[a] 30th of May 1228.

[b] Richard Poore, Dean of Salisbury 1198, Bishop of Chichester 1215, Bishop of Salisbury 1217, Bishop of Durham 1229. He was son of Richard of Ilchester (or Toclive) Archdeacon of Poictiers and Bishop of Winchester 1174. In 1204 he was elected to the Bishopric of Winchester, but Peter des Roches being elected by another part of the Chapter and the election being appealed to Rome, the Pope decided in favour of Peter des Roches. Richard Poore after this obtained from the Pope a dispensation "ob defectum natalium," and in 1213 was elected to the See of Durham, but this election was also quashed by the Pope. Soon after his translation in 1217 to Salisbury he took steps to transfer the See from Old to New Sarum and planned and began the building

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Litera bone memorie Ricardi olim Episcopi Saresbiriensis per dominos subdelegatos extracta.

[a]Ricardus diuina permissione Saresbiriensis ecclesie minister humilis dilectis filiis in Christo [b]W. decano et Capitulo Saresbiriensibus Salutem graciam et benedictionem ; benedictus deus qui prosperum fecit iter dilecti filii Roberti Cappellani nuncii ecclesie nostre qui compleuit labores illius ad votum nostrum. Et hoc sane dispensacioni diuine ascribimus non humane, que in sapiencia cuncta disponens quod difficile credebamus esse et quasi impossibile supra spem nostram sine aliqua difficultate expediuit. Quapropter inspectis literis quas dominus papa super hoc negocio Inquisitoribus transmittit gaudeamus omnes in domino et pio mentis affectu pensemus graciam quam fecit nobis dominus, et simus strenui cooperatores et non ingrati gracie que nobis praeter merita nostra diuinitus concessa est. Rogamus autem vos monemus et exhortamur in domino quatinus tempestiue mittatis viros prouidos et discretos cum literis vestris ex parte Capituli ad illos quibus negocium istud iniunctum est qui cum omni diligencia inquirant ab eisdem tempus et diem quando huic negocio volent intendere et ad hoc quanto tempestiuius possunt eos inducant ; nos autem quantum ad nos pertinet super hoc negocio non dormitabimus. Valete.

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Tenor literarum certificatoriarum Bathoniensis et Conuentrensis Episcoporum sedis apostolice delegatorum missarum domino Gregorio summo Pontifici super inquisicione facta per eosdem apostolica supradicta super vita et miraculis dicti Osmundi talis est.

Litere certificatorie transmisse summo pontifici per subdelegatos in partibus extracte.

[c]Sanctissimo patri et domino Gregorio dei gracia summo Pontifici denotissimi sanctitatis sue serui I. Bathoniensis et A. Conuentrensis et Lichfeldensis diuina miseracione Episcopi de-

of the present Cathedral, and laid out the plan of the City. He founded a Nunnery at Tarrant Crawford in Dorsetshire, where he was born, and wrote for the guidance of the inmates the treatise called the Ancren Riwle. The late Sir Travers Twiss identified Richard Poore with Ricardus Anglicus a Magister Decretorum in the Law School of Bologna and a writer on Judicial Procedure. The Salisbury Consuetudinary as it has come down to us was no doubt to a great extent his work. He died in 1237 and was buried at Tarrant.

[a] Printed in The Osmund Register, Rolls Series, Vol. ii. p. 88.

[b] William de Wanda, Precentor of Salisbury 1218, Dean 1220. He was the author of the account of the building of the present Cathedral of Salisbury, which is preserved in what is called The Osmund Register at Salisbury. The Osmund Register is published in the Rolls Series.

[c] Printed in the Osmund Register. Rolls series, vol. ii. p. 85.

nota pedum oscula. Literas sanctitatis vestre suscepimus in hec verba. Gregorius etc venerabilibus fratribus Bathoniensi et Conuentrensi Episcopis et dilecto filio Abbati de Stanlegh Cisterciensis ordinis Saresbiriensis dioceseos Salutem et Apostolicam benedictionem, Magnus et misericors dominus etc et infra Datum Assisii Tercio kalendas Junii Pontificatus nostri Anno secundo. Volentes igitur deuocione qua decuit apostolicis obedire mandatis Collega nostro agente in partibus Hibernie qui tamen in hoc commisit vices suas Abbati de Tyntern eiusdem ordinis, certum diem scilicet diem beati Dionisii prefiximus apud Sarum ut ad solempnem vocacionem multis ibi promiscui sexus conuenientibus prout in huiusmodi fieri consueuit diligencuis et cautuis procederemus in negocio memorato, quo quidem die altero nostrum comparente unacum Abbate predicto de Tyntern et Giliberto Canonico Wellense viro prouido et discreto gerente vices mei Bathoniensis tunc absentis propter causam necessariam et urgentem ; cum vlterius sine periculo more diffusionis non posset inquisicio differri propter diuturniorem absenciam mei Conuentrensis qui in proximo profecturus eram ad curiam Romanam ; ea qua decuit circumspectione et diligencia processum est in inquisicione premissa, ut eciam aliqua de vita ipsius et moribus a multarum ecclesiarum cronicis detecta et in scriptis fideliter redacta, sicut ex fidelium relacione accepimus, unacum attestacionibus miracula ipsius continentibus, sub Sigillis nostris et dicti Abbatis de Tyntern ad pedes vestre Sanctitatis duximus transmittenda ut vos ad consummacionem negocii procedere possitis prout celitus vobis fuerit inspiratum. Conseruet vos dominus ecclesie sue per tempora longiora.

Designatio literarum apostolicarum.

Continuacio literarum.

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Sequuntur nomina testium numero viginti-nouem et eorum dicta successive per prefatos Bathoniensem et Conuentrensem Episcopos auctoritate apostolica suprascripta in forma Iuris admissorum et examinatorum de Archiuis ecclesie Saresbiriensis predicte per nos extractorum ut prefertur.

Deposiciones testium per dictos dominos subdelegatos in partibus extracte.

Galfridus Parleuert senex valde habens circiter centum annos dioconus Iuratus dicit quod elapsis annis circiter Quinquaginta vidit quendam seruientem [a]Henrici tunc Decani Sarum postea

1 testis.

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Primum miraculum de rupto.

[a] Dean of Salisbury 1155, Bishop of Bayeux 1165.

Episcopi Baiotensis ruptum, quod intestina eius descenderant ad Bursam virilem adeo quod vix ire potuit, vigilantem ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et orantem, et postea ibidem plene curatum, et hoc vidit et interfiut. Et postea idem ruptus vixit tempore multo sanus et incolimis. Requisitus si aliud vidisset miraculum dicit quod vidit Iordanum seruientem Willelmi de Wylton vicarii ecclesie Sarum habentem longo tempore os distortum ex una parte fere usque ad aurem, qui vix potuit cibum masticare, vigilantem ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et orantem, et ibi cecidit quoddam os putridum de ore ipsius et restituta est forma oris sui in statum debitum et sic manifeste curatus est; et hoc accidit annis elapsis circiter Quadraginta. Item adicit quod vidit quendam languidum per annum integrum et amplius iacentem in porta Castri Sarum qui se ad tumbam dicti Osmundi Episcopi fecit deportari et ibidem dum oraret restitutus est sanitati tempore matutinali.

2m miraculum de contractione oris usque ad aurem.

vide plenius in iij° teste et iiij°.

3m miraculum. continet primum de paralitico.

2us testis. concordat cum primo teste in 2° miraculo.

Willelmus sacerdos Sexagenarius Iuratus dicit quod elapsis Quadraginta annis vidit quendam clericum Iordanum nomine qui ita laborauerat quadam infirmitate oris quod vix loqui poterat aut cibum masticare per dimidium anni, et postea vidit quod cum

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iaceret super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi causa recuperande sanitatis cecidit quoddam os putridum et integrum de ore eius Ita quod loqui poterat et cibum masticare, Sed loco ipsius ossis lapsi non est aliud os restitutum. Idem eciam Iuratus dicit quod vidit laicum quendam Willelmum Bonet nomine seruientem H. Decani Sarum ecclesie postea Episcopi Baiotensis et postea reuersum ad seruicium [a]Iordani Decani Sarum ecclesie et tunc laborantem ruptura ita quod intestina deciderant usque ad pelliculam genitalium, et postea vidit quod ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi dum oraret curatus est. Idem etiam Iuratus dicit quod vidit quendam paraliticum primo iacentem in hospicio cuiusdam Sampsonis nomine et inde deportatum ad portam Castri Sarum, vbi infirmi iacere solebant, et inde ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi deportatum, erectum et ambulantem, et ideo credit eum ibidem miraculose curatum, et asserit famosum fuisse illum ibidem esse curatum. Et dicit etiam quod vidit ibidem multos esse curatos de dolore dentium et assertiue dicit plus quam Centum.

Concordat cum primo teste in primo miraculo.

4tm miraculum.

5m miraculum.

[a] Dean of Salisbury 1176.

Willelmus Dunecan Canonicus Regularis sacerdos Iuratus dicit quod cum esset in ecclesia Sarum vidit quendam Iordanum Bugis nomine laborantem in quadam infirmitate oris, ex quodam osse quod creuit super os maxille interioris, quod vix poterat loqui vel cibum masticare, et habuit os tortum versus sinistram partem ut recolit. Quo Iordano orante super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi cecidit os integrum et putridum de ore eius Ita quod bene loqui potuit et cibum masticare, et dicit hoc contigisse elapsis annis circiter quadraginta. Et dicit eciam quod vidit quemdam hominem ruptum Hugonem nomine curatum ad tumbam dicti Episcopi dum ibidem oraret, et dicit factum circiter quadraginta annos. Et dicit eciam quod multos vidit ad dictam tumbam curatos de dolore dentium. Dicit eciam quod cum sepe oraret ad Tumbam dicti Episcopi sensit suauissimum odorem exire inter duos lapides.[a]

iij testis.
Concordat cum precontestibus in 2° miraculo.
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6tm miraculum.
Quod priores testes in simili loquuntur de Willmo Bonet in primo miraculo.
Concordat cum secundo teste in 5to miraculo.
7m miraculum.

Robertus de Pontesia senex Capellanus Iuratus dicit quod vidit Iordanum seruientem Willelmi de Wylton tunc temporis vicarii ecclesie Sarum habentem os tortum et inflatum ex super-excremento cuiusdam ossis super aliud os, ita quod non potuit bene loqui nec bene cibum masticare, et postea cum oraret ad tumbam dicti Episcopi et fricaret maxillam super tumbam, cecidit quoddam os putridum ab ore eius et ita sanus effectus est. Dicit eciam quod totus chorus hoc sciuit et famosum erat apud omnes vicinos. Idem iuratus dicit quod quidam extraneus qui languerat in domo cuiusdam Sampsonis nomine per longum tempus et tandem de ea ammotus positus fuit sub porta Castri Sarum ubi infirmi iacere solebant, et inde ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi delatus ibi recepit sanitatem, et vidit eum sanum quem prius vidit infirmum.

iiij testis.
Concordat cum precontestibus in primo miraculo.
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Concordat cum secundo teste in 4to miraculo qui dicit quod fuit paraliticus.

Magister [b]Thomas de Chebbeham Subdecanus ecclesie Sarum iuratus dicit quod cum esset subdecanus in ecclesia Sarum, elapsis fere viginti annis ut credit, vidit quemdam qui dicebatur paraliticus iacentem in porta Castri Sarum, fere per biennium ut credit, et ingrediendo et egrediendo per portam illam sepe dedit ei argentum. Postea vero cum per aliquod tempus absens fuisset in reditu suo inuenit eundem qui iacuerat in porta ambulantem

v testis.
Concordat cum secundo teste et immediato preconteste iiijto in 4o miraculo nisi istud miraculum sit aliquod nouum simile priori.

[a] See note in the Introduction.
[b] Subdean of Salisbury c 1213, Preb. of Cherminster c 1226.

in ecclesia, et petierunt canonici quod decantaretur Te deum laudamus propter miraculum factum de paralitico qui iacuerat in porta et curatus erat ad tumbam Osmundi predicti. Ipsi enim distulerant cantare Te deum laudamus propter interdictum generale quod tunc erat in Anglia nec audebant cantare sine consilio [a]Subdecani sui. Ipse vero volens plenius super predictis certificari vocauit omnes vicinos et per Iuramentum eorum cognouit quod is qui iacebat in porta paraliticus fuerat et ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi curatus. Et hoc facto fecit sub silencio dici Te deum laudamus.

Nota de tempore quo erat interdictum generale in Anglia viz. Anno domini mcc viij in vigilia Annue oracionis que tunc fuit feria ija in passione domini idem durauit xxxi annos vj menses tres dies xvj.

vj testis.

Concordat cum secundo iiijto et quinto testibus in 4to miraculo.

Magister Petrus Sacerdos Iuratus dicit quod quando Rexit scolas apud Sarum vidit quemdam peregrinum oriundum de partibus borealibus qui primo iacuit in domo Sampsonis de Subsona paraliticus, qui Sampson tedio eius affectus eum in domo sua diutius sustinere non potuit, et deportatus est ad portam Castri ubi iacere solebant infirmi et ibi vidit eum iacentem aliquanto tempore; et postea reuelatum est eidem infirmo, ut asseruit, quod faceret se deferri ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et ibi sanitatem reciperet, et illuc deportatus sanus effectus est. Ita quod dictus Petrus vidit dictum infirmum erigentem se et erectum ad altare euntem et cereum deferentem et iuit cum eo. Et super hoc miraculo habito tractatu a Capitulo admissi fuerunt testes iurati et examinati diligenter super infirmitate et curacione dicti languidi, quorum deposiciones Idem Petrus reposuit in Thesaurario ecclesie Sarum, que cum multis aliis tempore hostilitatis fuerunt perdite.

Addicio.

vij testis.

Concordat cum 2o iiijto vto et vito testibus in 4to miraculo nisi sit aliquod nouum simile priori.

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Sampson pelliparius Centenarius Iuratus dicit quod quidam languidus Symon nomine de partibus Warham ad domum suam ita grauiter infirmatus et ita insensibilis fuit sub zona quod cultellum infixum tibiis eius per vxorem dicti Sampsonis non sensit nec sanguis posset eici, et igne posito calorem non sensit, et sic iacuit per annum et amplius in domo sua. Et quia Idem Sampson pauper fuit fecit eum deferri ad portam languidorum et ibi diu iacuit, et audiuit ab eodem infirmo quod per reuelacionem apparuit ei Osmundus Episcopus quod faceret se deferri ad tumbam eius et recuperaret sanitatem, et dilatus est infirmus in

Concordat cum vjto teste in hac addicione.

[a] This seems to show that the Subdean was considered superior to the Canonici Simplices.

Biga Roberti Stock ad ecclesiam, et postea inter brachia quorumdam aliorum deportatus est ad tumbam dicti Episcopi et ibidem pernoctauit in oracionibus, et in crastino restitutus est sanitati et detulit cereum ad altare, et hoc vidit et interfuit cum multis aliis.

viij testis.
8m miraculum.

Agatha uxor Godefredi de Sarum iurata dicit quod habuit puerum tenerum et cum ipsa esset pauper nec haberet unde nutricem teneret in domo sua aruerunt subito ubera sua et usum lactis per septem dies amisit Ita quod liquore ceruisie puerum utcunque sustentauit, et timens quod puer pro defectu nutrimenti moreretur, accessit ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi deuote orans et dicens hec verba, " Domine Ihesu Christe qui formasti puerum " meum in utero meo et animam ei infudisti tu da michi vel " facultates unde possum nutrire puerum vel saltem restitue michi " lactis usum pro meritis et amore Osmundi Episcopi," et dicens dominicam oracionem ; qua vix expleta sensit ubera sua turgencia per lactis habundanciam antequam recederet a tumba et hoc ostendit viro suo et vicinis suis. Requisita de tempore dicit quod circiter quindecim annos elapsos ante inquisicionem istam hoc accidit et puella lacte illo nutrita adhuc viuit. Item requisita si aliquod aliud miraculum vidisset dicit quod vidit quemdam languidum de partibus borealibus in domo Sampsonis hospitatum per annum et amplius, et quia Idem Sampson pauper fuit nec habuit unde potuit ei necessaria ministrare fecit eum deferri in vehiculo ad portam Castri Sarum in qua infirmi iacebant, et illa fuit una portancium ; et Philippus de sancto Edwardo Canonicus Sarum fecit quedam septa de virgis circa infirmum ne porci et canes eum lederent, et ibidem iacuit per annum et amplius, et per reuelacionem fecit se deferri in vehiculo ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi. Requisita qualiter hoc sciuit quod per reuelacionem, dicit quod hoc audiuit ab ipso infirmo dicente quod Osmundus Episcopus apparuit ei per noctem precipiens quod faceret se deferri ad tumbam eius ut ibi reciperet sanitatem, et pernoctauit ibi in oracionibus. In crastino autem eadem mulier vidit et interfuit vbi languidus sanatus detulit cereum ad altare ; et hoc fuit tempore interdicti, et succentor fecit sermonem de illo euentu. Item requisita si aliqui alii hoc viderunt dicit quod isti viderunt, Henricus filius Iordani et Thomas clericus et Sampson hoc viderunt et Henricus et

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Concordat cum 2o iiijto vto vjto et vijmo precontestibus in 4o miraculo.

Concordat cum vjto et vijmo precontestibus suis in hac addicione.

xxxii *b*

Thomas et Sampson in cuius domo iacuit vocati et iurati dicunt se dictum euentum vidisse et interfuisse.

ix testis.
Concordat cum viija preconteste sua in 8o miraculo.

Galfridus vir Agathe Iuratus dicit quod vidit ubera uxoris sue Agathe desiccata et lacte omnino destituta et postea oracione ad tumbam dicti Osmundi facta ad vsum lactis plene restituta.

x testis.
9m miraculum.

Margareta vidua de Sarum Iurata dicit quod vidit quamdam mulierem Iulianam nomine furiosam, interrogata qualiter sciuit quod esset furiosa dicit quod decerpebat vestes suas et vestes aliorum et spuebat in crucem, que ducta fuit ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et ibi permansit per quatuor vel quinque noctes et sic curata est et adhuc viuit, et singulis annis visitat tumbam dicti Osmundi. Interrogata per quantum tempus vidit eam furiosam dicit per septimanam et amplius, requisita de tempore dicit quod tempore interdicti. Requisita si alii hoc vidissent dicit
10m miraculum. quod Editha mulier hoc vidit et multi alii de Ciuitate Sarum. Item dicit quod vidit quemdam Iuuenem peregrinum cuius nomen
xxxiii ignorat furiosum qui dilaniabat vestes et morsu attractabat se et alios quos potuit apprehendere, et vigilauit ad tumbam Osmundi per octo dies et curatus est. Interrogata qualiter hoc sciuit dicit quod ductus fuit ad altare cum cereo. Requisita de tempore dicit
Tempus interdicti, quod tempore interdicti et ideo non fuerunt campane pulsate nec decantatur Te deum laudamus. Interrogata si alii vidissent istud
11m miraculum. dicit quod Editha mulier et multi alii. Item vidit quamdam puellam furiosam, Requisita qualiter hoc sciuit dicit quod saltabat et semper fuit in motu, et vigilauit ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi a festo assumpcionis beate Marie usque ad Natiuitatem eiusdem tum presentibus suis custodientibus eam et curata est; et postea vidit eam singulis annis venientem cum oblacione sua ad tumbam dicti Episcopi, et dicit quod hec vidit Editha mulier et multi alii.
12m miraculum. Item adicit de seipsa quod multas passiones sustiniuit in femoribus et per oracionem et deuocionem ad tumbam Osmundi curata est.
13m miraculum. Item dicta Margareta iurata dicit quod vigilans ad tumbam dicti Episcopi vidit luminaria circa tumbam extincta et per seipsa reaccensa. Interrogata qualiter hoc sciret dicit quod quia nemo erat ibi qui possit ea accendere nec aliquod luminare erat prope. Item dicit quod multa audiuit de predecessoribus suis miracula si valere posset eius testimonium de auditu.

Editha vidua de Sarum Iurata dicit quod vidit et interfuit ubi dicti furiosi curati fuerunt. xxxiii b xi testis. Concordat cum preconteste sua immediata.

Radulfus de Bareuill Sacerdos grandeuus Iuratus dicit quod cum quadam die sederet irreuerenter super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi tunc arripuit eum vehemens dolor capitis. Ita ut videretur ei quod oculi exirent de Capite, et inde recedens iuit comestum et tortus nimio dolore comedere non poterat, qui requisitus a socio suo quare non comederet, Respondit "Doleo caput Grauissime," At ille, "ubi arripuit te dolor iste?" qui respondit, "dum sedi super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi hodie," et dixit eius socius, "miser vade cito et postula sanctum ut tibi indulgeat irreuerenciam tuam." Et statim iuit, et dum deuote deprecaretur et cum lacrimis restituta est ei sanitas. Adicit eciam quod audiuit sepius a quodam sacrista antiquo Willelmo nomine quod Idem Willelmus viderit multociens Episcopum Osmundum accedere ad altare ad incensandum de nocte ut ei videbatur. xij testis. 14m miraculum. Addicio.

Ricardus de Bremmore Iuratus dicit quod cum haberet quamdam filiam ydoneam nomine Aliciam furiosam per octo dies de consilio amicorum suorum eam adduci fecit ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et ibi vigilauit cum ea et orauit. Et cum ipsa post multos clamores et tumultus lassata decubuisset super caput tumbe et ibi dormitaret, tandem euigilans prostrauit se in crucem adorans deum et Osmundum Episcopum, et sic sana effecta est nunquam postea aliquam dicte infirmitatis sentiens lesionem. Requisitus de tempore infirmitatis et curacionis filie sue dicit quod in festo assumpcionis beate Marie transacti fuerunt duo anni Anno Pontificis Gregorii pape noni secundo quod curata erat. Requisitus qui interessent curacioni dicit quod ipse et Gilbertus clericus ministrans continue circa altare beate Marie Sarum. xiij testis. 15tum miraculum. De furiosa curata. xxxiiii

Iuliana mater dicte Alicie furiose iurata dicit quod cum filia sua furiosa esset Ricardus maritus suus fecit eam deportari ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi, et ibi post vigilias et oraciones dicti Ricardi dicta furiosa sanitatem recepit ibidem. Requisita utrum presens tunc fuisset dicit quod non, sed bene scit quod filia sua furiosissima recessit a domo sua, Scilicet tum flens tum ridens tum clamans tum alias se inordinate gerens, et sana rediit et nullam postea sentit super hoc infirmitatem. Requisita de tempore dicit quod in

festo Assumpcionis beate Marie erant duo anni elapsi Anno pontificis domini Gregorii pape noni secundo.

xxxiiii *b*

xv testis.

Concordat cum precontestibus suis immediatis in 15 miraculo.

Gilbertus clericus predictus Iuratus dicit quod vidit dictam Aliciam furiosam et postea super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi plene curatam Requisitus de tempore dicit quod Anno secundo domini Gregorii pape noni in festo Assumpcionis beate Marie erant duo anni elapsi.

xvj testis.

Concordat cum tribus precontestibus suis in 15 miraculo.

Ricardus de Bremmore clericus Iuratus dicit quod vidit Aliciam filiam Ricardi de Bremmore furiosam et ligatam, et cum a patre suo deportata fuisset ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi vidit eam in reditu suo sanam et postea continuo gauisam esse sanitate. Requisitus de tempore infirmitatis et curacionis dicit quod in festo assumpcionis beate Marie erant duo anni elapsi Anno pontificis domini Gregorii pape noni secundo.

xvij testis.

Concordat cum quatuor precontestibus suis in 15 miraculo.

Reginaldus Hert iuratus dicit quod cum vidisset Aliciam filiam Ricardi de Bremmore laniantem vestes suas et alias se in modum furiose gerentem, et ipse Ricardus pater mulieris deportasset eam ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi, inde sana reuersa est nullum signum predicte infirmitatis pretendens. De tempore dicit quod in festo assumpcionis beate Marie erant duo anni elapsi Anno Pontificis domini Gregorii pape noni secundo.

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xviij testis.

16 miraculum.

De mortuo suscitato.

Iocastra mulier iurata dicit quod quadam die dominica ante festum beati Petri ad vincula Anno pontificis Gregorii pape noni secundo duobus annis elapsis cum transitum fecisset per quemdam fontem in Atrio Walteri West apud Sarum, vidit quamdam puellam paruam lapsam in fontem et submersam Ita quod minimam pueri particulam apparentem videbat, et stupefacta vocauit nutricem pueri que veniens extraxit puerum a fonte, in quo, ut eis certissime videbatur, non erat vox neque sensus; quem puerum ab hora nona ipsa et nutrix eius stupidum et frigidum inter se usque ad vesperam dolentes et lamentantes attractauerunt. Tandem nutrix predicta et pater pueri inuocantes auxilium Osmundi Episcopi, sicut in necessitatibus suis solebant invocare, mensurantes puerum fecerunt candelam ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi offerendam, qua facta incontinenti aliquantulum se mouit puer, et hoc in primo sonitu matutinarum in ecclesia Sarum

factum fuit, et in crastino mane deportatus fuit puer ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi mortuus ut credebant et positus super tumbam aperuit oculos et subrisit quod videntes parentes eius et alii qui astabant adorabant deum et reportatus est sanus ad domum patris sui. Et cum adiurata esset dicta Iocastra per sacramentum suum utrum firmiter crederet dictum puerum suffocatum esse quando ereptus fuit de fonte dicit per sacramentum suum quod tunc mortuum eum credebat.

Editha nutrix dicti pueri iurata dicit quod cum memoratus puer deambulasset in atrio Walteri West patris sui casualiter cecidit in fontem, et inde ereptus per manum suam propriam reputebatur mortuus ab omnibus eum videntibus, quod cum ipsa probare vellet aperuit os eius et posuit digitos suos usque ad guttur et sensit ibi continuam frigiditatem sicut sentire solet in mortuis, rigidissimus eciam erat sicuti mortui solent esse nec erat in eo aliquod signum vite: et cum pater eius et ipsa nutrix calefacerent eum ad ignem et postea calidis indumentis inuoluerent, et sic eum tenerent usque ad tempus matutinarum semper eum in eodem statu inuenerunt et mortuum reputarunt, et tunc inuocato subsidio Osmundi Episcopi mensurauerunt puerum et candelam fecerunt offerendam super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi, et hoc facto visus est puer aliquantulum mouere se, quod cum vidissent gracias egerunt domino; et in crastino tulerunt puerum ad tumbam exanimem ut credebant, qui cum esset super tumbam constitutus oculos aperuit et manum tendens versus nutricem subrisit, et paulatim postea de hora in horam conualuit et adhuc sanus et incolimis existit. Requisita de tempore lapsus pueri et conualescencie eiusdem dicit quod die dominica ante festum beati Petri ad vincula duobus annis elapsis Anno Pontificis domini Gregorii pape noni secundo lapsus est puer in fontem circa horam nonam et conualuit ut predictum est.

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xix testis.

Concordat cum precontestе in 16 miraculo.

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Walterus West pater dicti pueri Iuratus dicit quod cum puer eius extractus esset a fonte suo deportatus erat in domum suam et habebant eum omnes astantes pro mortuo, Credentes tamen eum excitare per calorem calefecerunt eum ad ignem et postea cooperuerunt pannis pluribus et coopertum tenuerunt usque ad horam matutinarum, et cum nec sic conualesceret fecerunt candelam offerendam ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi, quem

xx testis.

Concordat cum precontestibus suis in 16 miraculo.

solebant in suis angustiis deprecari, et hiis gestis mouit se puer aliquantulum et sic iacuit usque mane mortuus ut eis videbatur; et mane tulerunt eum et posuerunt super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et statim aperuit oculos et sanus factus est. Requisitus de tempore dicit quod die dominica ante festum beati Petri ad vincula duobus annis elapsis Anno Pontificis domini Gregorii pape noni secundo lapsus est puer in fontem circa horam nonam et conualuit in tempore mututinali.

xxj testis.
Concordat cum 3bus precontestibus in 16 miraculo.
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Iueta uxor Walteri West nouerca dicti pueri Iurata dicit quod dictus puer extractus a fonte qui est in atrio Walteri West reputatus fuit mortuus ab omnibus eum videntibus quod nec per calorem ignis nec alio modo potuerunt eum excitare, sed cum facta fuit candela quam deuouerunt pro eo offerendam ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi paulisper mouit se puer. Et cum in crastino delatus esset ad tumbam aperuit oculos et subrisit et hoc vidit. Requisita quando cecidit puer in fontem dicit quod die dominica ante festum beati Petri ad viucula duobus annis elapsis Anno Pontificis Gregorii pape noni secundo.

xxij testis.
Concordat cum precontestibus in 16.

Lambertus sacerdos Iuratus dicit quod interfuit vbi dictus puer deportatus fuit in domum Walteri West patris sui mortuus ut credebatur ab omnibus astantibus, et postea ut audiuit reuixit quando positus erat super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et usque hodie superstes est.

xxiij testis.
Concordat cum precontestibus in 16.

Robertus Albin Iuratus dicit quod interfuit vbi dictus puer deportatus fuit in domum Walteri West patris sui mortuus ut credebatur ab omnibus astantibus, et postea ut audiuit reuixit quando positus erat super tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et usque hodie superstes est.

xxiiij testis.
17m miraculum.
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Walterus de Wodeford Iuratus dicit quod fuit mente alienatus circiter quindecim dies et mater sua duxit eum ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi super quam dormiuisset per noctem unam inclinando se super eam sanus factus est et sapiens et dicit hoc factum fuisse circiter decem annos elapsos ante istam inquisicionem.

xxv testis.
Concordat cum preconteste in 17 miraculo.

Agnes mater dicti Walteri Iurata dicit quod quod duxit filium suum furiosum ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et obtulit candelam et fecit ipsum niclinare se super tumbam ita quod dormiuit et

post dormicionem factus est sanus. Ista dicit hoc factam fuisse circa decem annos ante presentem inquisicionem.

xxvj testis. 18 miraculum.

Gibertus clericus ecclesie Sarum Iuratus dicit quod puer quidam anno inquisicionis istius circiter duodecim annorum Henricus nomine ductus fuit ligatus ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi in assumpcione beate Marie virginis quasi in furorem versus loquebatur aliena et clamabat et volutabat se sicut furiosus, et cum vigilasset par tres noctes ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi Sanus effectus est et loquebatur recte.

xxvij testis. Concordat in 18 miraculo.

Adam Crosbec sacerdos Iuratus dicit quod vidit quemdam puerum Henricum nomine in ecclesia Sarum ligatum quasi furiosum clamantem et per pauimentum volutantum sicut plene furiosum, et post vigilias trium noctium ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi vidit eum sanum. Requisitus utrum illi qui puerum ligatum duxerunt elemosinam peterent dicit quod non.

xxviij testis. Concordat in 18 miraculo.

Willelmus de Glaston clericus Iuratus dicit quod vidit et interfuit vbi quidam puer furiosus Henricus nomine curatus fuit ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi.

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xxix testis. 19m miraculum.

Ricardus de Brutford subdiaconus Iuratus dicit quod vidit Aliciam uxorem Willelmi Snoth cecam, et cum multa visitasset loca Sanctorum ut visum reciperet nec sic visum recepisset, consuluit ei dictus Ricardus, quia uxor auunculi eius fuit, quod ipsa veniret ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi, que cum adducta esset ad tumbam visum ibi recepit quo manifeste priuata erat per triennium.

Tenor literarum Decani et Capituli ecclesie Cathedralis, Summo pontifici supradicto post examinacionem predictam scriptarum et directarum talis est.

Litera rescripcionis decani et Capituli Saresbiriensis summo pontifici per subdelegatos extracta.

Sanctissimo patri et domino Gregorio dei gracia summo pontifici humiles et deuoti Sanctitatis sue serui W. Decanus et Capitulum Sarum tanto patri deuota pedum oscula cum omni subiectione et reuerencia quantas possumus dignacioni vestre. Pater* sancte referimus gracias pro gracia quam nuper in oculis

* Patre in MS.

vestre pietatis inuenire meruimus et prebet nobis ampliora petendi fiduciam, et per graciam dei a celsitudine vestra obtinendi certitudinem peticione nostra tam liberaliter et tam benique exaudita. Sane commisit nuper discrecio vestra viris venerabilibus et discretis Bathoniensi et Cestrensi Episcopis super vita et miraculis pie recordacionis Osmundi quondam Sarum Episcopi
xxxviii inquisicionem faciendam rem dignam laude pater venerande et que vestrum apostolatum per dei graciam reddet gloriosum cum temporibus vestris deus sanctos suos mirificare non desistat et glorificare in sanctis suis gloriosus apparere dignatur ne solus habere gloriam videatur. Ad pedes igitur sanctitatis vestre prouoluti quanta audemus precum instancia quanta possumus deuocione pulsamus et petimus quatinus tam laudabile principium condigno exitu perornetur et hostie cauda capiti coniuncta de potestate vobis desuper data tunicam iam per dei graciam polimitam facere eciam dignemini talarem pro quo negocio cum inquisicione discrete et diligenter facta transmittimus ad pedes sanctitatis vestre concanonicos et fratres nostros magistros H. et R. nichil aliud a vestra magnificencia expetentes vel expectantes nisi quod deus vobis inspirauerit, cuius vicem tenetis in terris, et quod ad honorem dei cedat et ecclesie, frigescentem iam ut pluribus caritatis igniculum fortius accendat. Deus vos conseruet ecclesie sue et nobis incolumes per tempora multa.

Tenor carte domini Osmundi Saresbiriensis Episcopi super fundacione ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum vnacum datacione eiusdem ac ordinacione et constitucione dignitatum Canonicatuum libertatum et aliorum ad eamdem ecclesiam pertinencium talis est.

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Carta fundacionis per dominum Osmundum Episcopum ecclesie Sarisberiensis eiusdem ecclesie.

In nomine sancte et indiuidue trinitatis, Ego Osmundus Sariberiensis ecclesie Episcopus Omnibus Christi fidelibus tam posteris notifico quam presentibus Ad honorem domini nostri Ihesu Christi Sanctissimeque Marie virginis et pro salute animarum Willelmi regis et uxoris sue Regine Matildis atque filii sui Willelmi Regis anglorum regni successoris pro salute eciam anime mee ecclesiam Seriberiensem me construxisse, et in ea Canonicos constituisse atque illis viuentibus Canonice bona ecclesie ita sicut ipse obtinueram libere et ut exigit regularis censura canonice imperpetuum concessisse. Has scilicet villas

preter militum terras, [a]Etemenister, [b]Aultona, [c]Cerumenister, [d]Begmenister, [e]Niderberia, [f]Weritelinctona. Ecclesiam de [g]Scireborna cum tota decima eiusdem ville, et cum ceteris appendiciis excepta monachorum decima et sepultura, Ecclesiam de [h]Bera cum decimis et ceteris ibidem appendiciis, [i]Ecclesiam sancti Georgii in Dorcestra cum decimis et ceteris appendiciis, dimidiam ecclesiam de [k]Mera cum medietate decime et ceteris ibidem appendiciis, Ecclesiam de [l]Seriberia cum decimis et ceteris appendiciis, et ii hidas et dimidium in eadem villa et vi hidas et dimidium in Stratford. Et ante portam Castelli Seriberiensis terram ex utraque parte vie in ortorum domorumque canonicorum necessitate. Ecclesiam de [m]Wyuelesford cum decimis ceterisque ibidem appendiciis, Ecclesias de [n]Poterna et de [o]Lauentona cum decimis ceterisque ibidem appendiciis, Ecclesias de [p]Ramesberia et de [q]Bede Winda cum decimis ceterisque appendiciis, et i molendinum in eadem villa. Ecclesiam de [r]Wanberga cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adia- xxxix
centibus et i hidum et dimidium et terram unius bordarii et xii acras terre in eadem villa, et ortulum unum in eadem villa, Ecclesiam de [s]Ferendona cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesiam de [t]Caningas cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesias de Calne cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesias de [u]Worda cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesias de [w]Merleberga cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesias de [x]Bledberia cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, Ecclesias de Sunningas cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus, et x hidas terre in [y]Potsecamb, Ecclesias de [z]Granham cum decimis ceterisque ibidem adiacentibus. Preterea concessi eis medietatem tocius oblacionis que super principale offertur altare

[a] Yetminster in Dorset.
[b] Alton Pancras in Dorset.
[c] Charminster in Dorset.
[d] Beaminster in Dorset.
[e] Netherbury in Dorset.
[f] Writhlington in Somerset.
[g] Sherborne in Dorset.
[h] Bere Regis in Dorset.
[i] Probably Fordington near Dorchester united with Writhlington as a prebend.
[k] Mere in Wilts.
[l] Old Sarum.
[m] Wilsford in Wilts.
[n] Pottern in Wilts.
[o] Lavington in Wilts.
[p] Ramsbury in Wilts.
[q] Great Bedwin in Wilts.
[r] Wanborough in Wilts.
[s] Farringdon in Berks.
[t] Bishops Cannings in Wilts.
[u] Highworth in Wilts.
[w] Marlborough in Wilts.
[x] Blewbury in Wilts.
[y] Rotescamp, now Ruscomb, in Berks.
[z] Grantham in Lincolnshire.

exceptis ornamentis, et totam oblacionem ceterorum altarium. Sepulturam insuper totam cam oblacionibus que Episcopo missam celebranti offeruntur preter auri medietatem in eadem ecclesia. Si quis autem Canonicoram siue ad dedicacionem Eccelesiarum siue alias cum Episcopo eiusdem ecclesie fuerit, partem obla cionis sicut capellanus habebit. Ad hoc eciam, duas partes prebende Canonici defuncti in usum concessi ceterorum Canonicorum, et terciam partem in usum pauperum per vnius anni
xxxix *b* spacium. Scripta est autem hec carta et confirmata Anno incarnacionis dominicè Millesimo XCI., Indictione Quartadecima, Willelmo Rege monarchiam tocius Anglie strenue gubernante, Anno iiii Regni eius apud Hastingas. Hiis subscriptis testibus. De illa medietate oblacionis principalis altaris quam retinet Episcopus in manu sua, dabuntur vni canonicorum per annum iiii libre quousque prebenda sua perficiatur. Quisquis vero hoc peruertere voluerit perpetuo anathematizetur. Et memorandum quod carta predicta sigillata fuit Sigillo Regis Willelmi tantum, et habet multas subscripciones Regis Episcoporum Comitum Baronum et aliorum regni Anglie procerum prout tales litere antiquitus subscribi solebant.

Subscripciones carte predicte.

Signum Willelmi Regis Anglorum
Signum Rogeri Comitis
Signum Hugonis Comitis
Signum Henrici de Ferrariis
Signum Comitis Willelmi de Warrenna
Signum Roberti de Insula
Signum Croc Venatoris
Signum Wulnoti
[a] Signum Thome Archiepiscopi
xl [b] Signum Walchelini Episcopi
[c] Signum Mauricii Episcopi
[d] Signum Iohannis Episcopi
[e] Signum Hoelli Episcopi Cenomannensis
[f] Signum Herberti Episcopi
[g] Signum Gundulfi Episcopi

[a] Archbishop of York, cons : 1070.
[b] Bishop of Winchester, cons : 1070.
[c] Bishop of London, cons : 1086.
[d] John of Tours, Bishop of Bath, cons : 1088.
[e] Bishop of Le Mans in France.
[f] Herbert Losinga, Bishop of Thetford, cons : 1091.
[g] Bishop of Rochester, cons : 1077.

[a] Signum Roberti Episcopi
[b] Signum Rotberti Episcopi
[c] Signum Rotberti Cancellarii
[d] Signum Radulfi Episcopi
Signum Iuonis dapiferi
Signum Arnulfi de Hesdine
Signum Hugonis de portu
Signum Rannulfi Peurel
Signum Radulfi Paganelli
Signum Eudonis dapiferi
Signum Rogeri Bigoti
Signum Huberti de Ria
Signum Gisleberti de Tonebruge
Signum Willelmi de Albuni
Signum Willelmi de Perceio
Signum Rotberti dispensatoris
Signum Walteri Hosati
Signum Willelmi Peurel
Signum Willelmi filii Balduini xl *b*
Signum Rogeri de Nonant
Signum Rotberti de Silleio
Signum Unfridi de Insula

Cordule vero per quas sigillum dicti domini Regis pendebat sunt de cerico et cera eiusdem Sigilli erat quasi alba vernizata et in maxima parte Rotunda. In quo quidem sigillo ab vna parte sculpta est vna ymago regia coronata sedens in solio tenens in manu dextera gladium et in manu sinistra pilam siue pomum rotundum in cuius superiori parte est quedam crux extensa, in alia vero parte sculpta est ymago quasi Regis armati sedentis super equum tenentis in manu dextera lanceam et in manu sinistra scutum. In circumferencia vero dicti sigilli ex utraque parte quatenus perpendi potuit talis est scriptura Willelmus dei gracia Rex Anglorum.

Descripcio sigilli dicte carte appensi.

[a] Robert Losinga, Bishop of Hereford, cons : 1079.
[b] Robert of Limesy, Bishop of Lichfield, cons : 1086.
[c] Robert Bloett, Bishop of Lincoln, cons : 1094.
[d] Ralph Luffa, Bishop of Chichester, cons : 1091.

Ordinaciones facte perdominum Osmundum Episcopum in ecclesia Saresbiriensi. Ista sunt narratiua ex cuius fuerint non apparet.

Item idem dominus Osmundus ordinauit in ecclesia Sarum quatuor personas principales, videlicet Decanum Precentorem Cancellarium et Thesaurarium, et constituit de premissis possessionibus triginta duas prebendas in eadem ecclesia, ac eciam deputauit quatuor Archidiaconos, necnon Subdecanum et Succentorem ibidem, quibus omnibus elargitus fuit possessiones xli sufficientes de ipsius dominio quod habuit tempore quo stetit Comes dorsetie. Item dominus Osmundus composuit librum ordinale quem consuetudinarium vocauit, quo fere tota Anglia vtitur et Wallia et eciam Hibernia. Dictauit eciam vitam sancti Aldelini prout in multis cronicis reperitur. Item idem Osmundus libros scribere ligare et illuminare non fastidiuit.

De rebus datis et de comitatu.

De libris.

Alie ordinaciones facte per dominum Osmundum in ecclesia Saresbiriensi.

Hee sunt dignitates et consuetudines Saresbiriensis ecclesie quas ego Osmundus episcopus eiusdem ecclesie In nomine sancte Trinitatis anno ab incarnacione domini millesimo xci° institui simul et concessi personis et Canonicis eiusdem ecclesie, participato dominorum Archiepiscopi et aliorum coepiscoporum nostrorum consilio, quorum nomina subscripta sunt, et domini regis Willelmi interueniente assensu, videlicet ut Decanus et Cantor Cancellarius et Thesaurarius residentes sint assidue in ecclesia Sarum remota omni excusacionis specie.

Archidiaconi cum tali moderamine officium Archidiaconatus impleant ut duo semper ex eis residenciam faciant in ecclesia Sarum, nisi necessaria et euidens causa possit eos excusare.

Canonicos nichil potest excusare quin et ipsi residentes sint in ecclesia Sarum, nisi causa scolarum et seruicium domini Regis, qui unum habere potest in Capella sua. Archiepiscopus vnum, et episcopus tres.

xli *b* Verumptamen si necesse habuerit Canonicus pro communi vtilitate ecclesie vel prebende sue, et hoc fuerit in manifesto, poterit per anni terciam partem abesse.

Dignitas decani est et omnium Canonicorum ut Episcopo in nullo respondeant nisi in Capitulo et Iudicio tantum Capituli pareant, habent eciam curiam suam in omnibus prebendis suis et dignitatem archidiaconi ubicunque prebende assignate fuerint in parrochia nostra siue in ecclesiis vel decimis aut terris.

Ita quidem quod nulla omnino exigencia in dono vel in assisa, aut aliqua alia consuetudine ab Episcopo vel a quolibet alio fiat in prebendis eorum. Sed omnes libertates et omnes dignitates plenarie et pacifice habeant quas ego Osmundus Episcopus in eisdem prebendis habui, aut aliquis alius cum eas in nostro haberemus dominio. De dominio diuiso inter prebendas.

Quando vero aliquis constituitur Canonicus debet coram fratribus in Capitulo Iurare, presente evangelio, se dignitates et consuetudines Sarum ecclesie inviolabiliter obseruaturum.

Decanus omnibus Canonicis et omnibus vicariis preest quo ad regimen animarum et correctionem morum.

Cantor debet chorum regere quo ad cantum et potest cantus eleuare et deponere.

Thesaurarius in conseruandis thesauris et ornamentis et in administrandis luminaribus preeminet.

Similiter et cancellarius in scolis regendis et in libris corrigendis.

Archidiaconi in sollicitudine parrochiarum et in cura pollent animarum. lxii

Decanus et Cantor Thesaurarius et cancellarius duplicem percipiunt communam, reliqui canonici simplicem, sed in communa non participat nisi qui residens fuerit in ecclesia.

Si canonicus dedicacioni interfuerit eque percipit de oblacionibus cum Capellanis Episcopi. Si dominus Episcopus ecclesias vel capellas prebendarum dedicauerit, nichil ibi percipiunt capellani Episcopi, nec alii nisi solus Canonicus cuius fuerit prebenda.

Subdecanus a decano Archidiaconatum vrbis et suburbii.

Succentor a cantore que ad cantariam pertinent possidet.

Si decanus defuerit ecclesie Subdecanus vices euis impleat.

Succentor similiter et Cantoris.

Archiscola debet lectiones auscultare et terminare, Sigillum ecclesie portare, litteras et cartas componere, et in tabula lectores notare, et Cantor similiter cantores.

Seniores obsecrandi sunt ut fratres.

Verumptamen si cotidiano sacrificio vel horis Canonicis absque racionabili causa sepius defuerint, et a decano correpti hoc non emendauerint, debent in Capitulo coram Decano et fratribus prostrati veniam recipere.

Si vero de inobediencia et rebellione vel alio notorio deprehensi fuerint, debent a stallo degradari, et ad hostium chori post
xlii *b* Decanum, vel in choro ultimi puerorum secundum quantitatem delicti penetenciam agere. Quod si hanc disciplinam neglexerint et incorrigibiles apparuerint, seueriori subiaceant vltioni. [a]"Si quis autem hanc institucionem peruertere seu annullare "attemptauerit omnem maledictionem omnium subscriptorum "Episcoporum se nouerit incursurum, et in ultimo examine a "consorcio iusti Iudicis et eterni dei alienum."

Huius vero constititutionis a me liberaliter facte et concesse testes sunt hii.

Willelmus Rex anglorum
Thomas Archiepiscopus
Walkelinus Episcopus
[b] Martinus Episcopus
Johannes Episcopus
Hoellus Episcopus cenomannensis
Robertus Episcopus
Herbertus Episcopus
[c] Remigius Episcopus
Radulfus Episcopus
Gundulfus Episcopus
Robertus Cancellarius

et multi alii tam clerici quam laici magni nominis et dignitatis viri.

[a] These words are written within inverted commas, as a quotation, in the MS.
[b] Probably a mistake for Mauricius, Bishop of London.
[c] Bishop of Dorchester, cons: 1067. The other Bishops are mentioned above.

Personas et earum officia dignitates et consuetudines quibus ecclesia Sarum ordinatur et Regitur Iuxta institucionem felicis memorie Osmundi eiusdem fundatoris Episcopi presens tractatus explanat.

Tractatus qualiter ecclesia Saresbiriensis regitur et ordinatur per subdelegatos in partibus extractus.

Quatuor itaque sunt persone principales in ecclesia Sarum, Decanus Cantor Cancellarius et Thesaurarius, et quatuor Archidiaconi, videlicet Archidiaconus Dorsetie Berksirie et duo Wiltesirie, Preterea subdecanus et succentor.

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Tenor scripture ornamentorum et Iocalium que Osmundus predictus dedit ecclesie sue Sarum.

Hic describuntur ornamenta et Iocalia data per dominum Osmundum ecclesie Saresbiriensi.

Hic continetur memoria ornamentorum que Osmundus Sarum Episcopus dedit ecclesie sancte Marie Sarum. Scilicet sex [a]feretra argentea et deaurata, et decem [b]textus argenteos deauratos, et ij [c]buxides argenteas deauratas, et tres cruces argenteas deauratas, et sex candelabra argentea deaurata, et unam siculam argenteam deauratam, et duo bacinia argentea deaurata, et unum calicem aureum quatuor marcharum, et septem calices argenteos deauratos cum patenis, et quatuor Altaria argentea deaurata, et unum vasculum argenteum ad vinum deferendum, et unam [d]summam argenteam ad aquam deferendam in officio misse, et brachium sancti Aldelmi argenteum et deauratum, tria vascula, duo videlicet argentea cum duobus cochlearibus argenti, Tercium vero de perula preciosa ad thus reponendum, et unum [e]Crismale Episcopale et duas ampullas argenteas ad crisma et oleum deferendum, et unam tabulam argenteam deauratam ante altare, et duo [f]cornua eburnea, et xxvij [g]philateria argentea deaurata, quorum nouem cum cathenis argenteis, et duo cristallina, et unum Gagatinum, et xvij [h]dossolia de pallio, et quatuor lanea, et duo linea, et vij [i]cortinas, et quatuor pallia altari ydonea, et octo [k]bufficios ispanicos, et tres pannos [l]brusdatos de cerico ad opus

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[a] A feretrum was a portable shrine to contain the Eucharist or relics of Saints.
[b] A book of the four Gospels.
[c] Boxes.
[d] Apparently a phial.
[e] A vessel in which consecrated oil was kept.
[f] Tusks and horns were not uncommon offerings.
[g] Reliquaries.
[h] Hangings for the backs of altars or stalls.
[i] Curtains.
[k] Spanish leather hangings (?)
[l] Embroidered.

altarium, et unum [a]osterium brusdatum ad opus defunctorum, et nouem [b]bancalia lanea, et sex [c]tapeta, et trigintaquatour cappas, quarum vigintiseptem de pallio et alie de [d]osturino, quarum eciam nouem sunt adornate usque ad pedes de [e]aurifixo, et duodecim cum tassallis et aurifixo, et tres clamides ad opus acolitorum, quarum videlicet una cum duobus appendiciis auro brusdatis, et viginti [f]casulas, harum xviij de pallio, quarum eciam nouem sunt adornate de aurifixo et due de osturino, et tresdecim dalmaticas, quarum due sunt de pallio relique omnes de osturino, et tresdecim stolas cum septemdecim [g]manipulis, quarum una cum manipulo est preciosissima, et quadraginta albas, harum quatuor sunt de osturino et tres de [h]alcassino et tres deorsum parate de pallio ad pedes, et quadragintatria superhumeralia, horum duodecim sunt
xliiii parata de aurifixo, et octo cingula de pallio, et sandalea cum caligis, et tres missales, et undecim tunicas, harum tres sunt de pallio relique omnes de osturino.

Tenor verborum Cronice Cestrensis de prefato Osmundo mencionem facientis talis est.

Verba cronice Cestrensis de domino Osmundo.

Hoc anno in Anno domini millesimo septuagesimo septimo Hermannus primus Episcopus Saresbiriensis obiit, cui successit Osmundus Regis cancellarius viginti quatuor annis, qui ecclesiam nouam ibidem construxit, clericos insignes tam literis quam cantu

De libris.

aggregauit. Ita ut ipsemet Episcopus libros scribere ligare et illuminare non fastidiret. Hic quoque composuit librum ordinalem ecclesiastici officii, quem consuetudinarium vocauit, quo fere nunc tota Anglia Wallia utitur et Hibernia. Dictauit eciam vitam sancti Aldelmi.[i]

Proposicio facta coram domino Gregorio papa duodecimo in publico consistorio pro Canonisacione domini Osmundi Episcopi supradicti obtinenda talis est.

[a] A pyx.
[b] Coverings for seats.
[c] Carpets.
[d] Purple or blood colour.
[e] Golden embroidery.
[f] Chasubles.
[g] Oblong pieces of embroidered silk, folded double, passed over the left wrist and hanging down.
[h] Coarse silk.
[i] Higden's Polychronicon Lib. vii. cap. iii. Rolls Series vol. vii. p. 292.

Beatissime pater, vir quidam Osmundus nomine iam elapsis [b]centum et octuaginta annis dum in humanis rebus ageret Saresbiriensem ecclesiam in sue fundacionis exordio gubernandam suscepit, huic siquidem spiritualiter temporaliterque excolendo tam solertem adhibuit diligenciam quod et usque in presenti bonum ob hoc salubremque statum obtinet, Ipsius nostrique bona temporalia contexendo suis ex propriis multa contribuit ut exinde alerentur bone honestatis persone diuinique cultus ymitatrices quas dietim in eadem ecclesia apponere conabatur, eidemque non modicam librorum aliorumque ornamentorum prebuit dotem, et denique ipsam quampluribus ad bene religioseque viuendum dogmatibus insigniuit, intantum quod ipsius tempore in ecclesia eadem pre ceteris temporibus maxime vigebant discipline censura honestas morum consiliorum maturitas auctoritatis pondus et grauitas personarum, usque adeo ut cetere Anglicanarum partium ecclesie ipsius instituta magna pro parte mutarentur. Hic vir, Beatissime pater, religiosissimus, hic laudabilis vite mireque sanctitatis, hic cunctis extitit insignitus virtutibus, quid plura, In hunc tam grandem diuina clemencia graciam effuderat quod post sui obitum miraculorum frequencia choruscauit, quamobrem post ipsum Saresbiriensis ecclesie presidentes a felicis recordacionis domino Gregorio, qui tunc apostolatui presidebat, petiuerunt quod Idem dominus Osmundus in sanctorum Cathologo ascriberetur, qui dominus Gregorius prudencium more existimans in huiusmodi materia cum deliberacione fore procedendum, duobus Episcopis vnique Abbati illis in partibus commisit quod de ipsius domini Osmundi vita atque miraculis diligenter susciperent informacionem, et que de hiis fuissent inuenta sub eorum sigillis in scriptis redigendo sibi transmitterent. Cupientes igitur Commissarii exequi apostolicum mandatum ad huius rei indagandam veritatem Iuridice processerunt, hii siquidem processus vtrum ad sedem apostolicam missi fuerint ignoratur. Ipsi tamen unacum apostolici mandati literis adhuc in partibus illis existunt. Quo circa paternitas sua moderni eiusdem ecclesie presul decanus et capitulum dignum fore existimantes quod thesaurus longo tempore absconditus fidelibus aperiatur et tamquam lucerna lucens ad multorum edificacionem super candelabro statuatur, vestre humiliter supplicant sanctitati, Quatinus vni vel pluribus in partibus de

Proposicio facta coram Gregorio xij° pro canonizacione domini Osmundi per duos subdelegatos in partibus extracta.

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[b] In the inner margin Chancellor Drake (1663—1681) has written "Peccat' in computac'one Annorum."

quibus eidem sanctitati videbitur committere atque mandare dignemini quod prefate commissionis literas processusque in vim eiusdem habitos diligenter videant et examinent copiarique faciant et auctenticent, eosdemque copiatos et auctenticatos vestre remittant sanctitati ut eadem in nomine indiuidue trinitatis ad peroptatam ascripcionem et alia in materia oportuna procedere possit et procedat.

Subscripcio dicte proposicionis siue commissionis.

Proposicio vnica domini Francini ad pias causas. Commissum fuit domino meo Cardinali Burdegalensi die veneris xiij mensis xlv *b*
Martii Anno domini millesimo cccc° vndecimo ut informaret se et referret

P. Berland dicti domini Cardinalis secretarius concordat cum principali proposicione

Sequuntur nomina testium in presenti inquisicionis negocio per nos admissorum et eorum dicta per nos diligenter examinatorum successiue in hunc modum.

Testes examinati per duos subdelegatos et eorum deposiciones.

1 testis.

Dominus [a]Iohannes Golde Capellanus libere Capelle infra Castrum regium Sarum, qui quondam fuit et stetit vicarius in ecclesia Cathedrali Sarum per triginta annos, etatis sexaginta annorum et amplius ut dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi necnon super sugestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis. Ad istam requisicionem

De uerbo firmiter credit.

dicit iste iuratus quod firmiter credit quod prefatus Osmundus Episcopus fuit in vita sua vir sanctus perfectus et multum virtuosus, prout ex factis et operibus suis que fecit et operabatur in vita sua, et per magna et manifesta miracula que dominus Omnipotens post eius mortem meritis et precibus ipsius in terris operari dignatus est, apparuit et adhuc in dies apparet. Interrogatus que fuerint illa bona perfecta et virtuosa opera que Idem

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Osmundus fecit et operabatur in terra dum vixit, dicit quod fundauit ecclesiam Cathedralem Sarum, ac Trigintaduos Canoni-

[a] John Golde was vicar of the stall of Bedminster and Radcliff, and resigned his office on the 12th of Oct: 1406 "propter incompatibilitatem alterius beneficii," probably upon being appointed to the Royal Free Chapel at Old Sarum. He had leave from the Dean and Chapter to retain his house in the Close.

catus cum totidem prebendis, quatuor dignitates, quatuor Archidiaconos, necnon Subdecanum et Succentorem, de suo patrimonio instituit in eadem. Composuit insuper Idem Osmundus usum divini officii ipsius ecclesie Sarum per quem usum fere omnes ecclesie regni anglie gubernantur, et ordinauit in eadem ecclesia plura bona et laudabilia, consuetudines, et statuta, terras eciam et possessiones ac nonnulla iocalia et alia ornamenta ecclesiastica in diuini cultus augmentum donauit eidem. Interrogatus per que premissa scit aut credit prout deponit, dicit quia ea omnia et singula ex dictis et relatibus parentum ac maiorum et seniorum suorum fidedignorum quibus fidem et credulitatem adhibuit didicit et audiuit, et prout ipsi maiores et seniores sui premissa omnia et singula, ut isti iurati retulerunt, a suis senioribus et maioribus didicerunt et audiuerunt, et insuper quia super eisdem omnibus et singulis et super veritate eorumdem ab annis discrecionis ipsius Iurati in Ciuitate et dyocesi Sarum et locis coniuntiuis de sciencia istius Iurati laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama. Interrogatus que et qualia miracula operari dignatus fuit deus post mortem ipsius Osmundi meritis et precibus eiusdem, dicit quod de miraculis factis per eum aut pro eo ante tempus discrecionis sue nescit aliter deponere quam superius ex relatu et auditu maiorum et seniorum suorum dixit et deposuit. Interrogatus iste Iuratus an nouit vel audiuit de aliquibus miraculis factis meritis et precibus ipsius Osmundi citra tempus discrecionis sue, dicit quod sic, et hoc se dicit scire quia quadraginta annis elapsis vel circiter quidam Stephanus Botuell vicarius ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum morbo gutte in iuuenili sua etate grauiter vexatus quominus ad ecclesiam propter diuinum seruicium exeqendum possit accedere, bonum Osmundum Episcopum pro salute membrorum suorum deuote exorauit ut eo liberius et deuocius deo in ecclesia predicta possit deseruire, et statim peractis oracionibus suis ad bonum Osmundum predictam sanitatem membrorum suorum accrescere sensiit, et dictum Osmundum ad tumbam sepulture sue peregre visitauit et ibi inclinans et orans pristine sanitati restitutus est. Item dicit iste iuratus specialiter requisitus, quod quadraginta annis elapsis vidit quemdam Iohannem Bemyster furiosum suis manibus vinculis et cathenis ferreis vinculatum et per multa tempora huiusmodi furia laborantem, qui tandem ad tumbam prefati Osmundi per amicos suos ductus ibique a tempore

De uerbo scit.

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primum miraculum.

2m miraculum

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inchoacionis misse beate marie virginis in Capella beate marie ibidem celebrata in quodam foramine eiusdem tumbe caput et manus imponens, et usque ad "agnus dei" eiusdem misse ibidem permanens, fusis oracionibus per circumstantes ad deum pro eodem statim manicule siue cathene feree de manibus eius quibus fuerat ligatus ceciderunt et menti restitutus liber abiit et recessit de visu et sciencia suis, et hoc miraculose et meritis

3m miraculum de mortuo suscitato.

dicti boni Osmundi ut credit iste iuratus. Item dicit iste iuratus specialiter requisitus quod vigintiquatuor annis elapsis vel circiter vidit et nouit vnam mulierem de Ciuitate Sarum cum duabus vicinis suis venientem et deferentem vnum puerum mersum in aqua in vico vocato Endelestrete eiusdem Ciuitatis, et mortuum, ut palam apparuit, et eundem puerum ad tumbam prefati boni Osmundi Episcopi pannis inuolutum sic mortuum deposuit circa sextam horam post meridiem eiusdem diei; et ibi pro vita eiusdem pueri restituenda usque ad vnam horam in proxima post mediam noctem iste deponens et mulieres predicte expectabant, Ac deum et beatam mariam ac Osmundum Episcopum deuote orabant; et tandem, inter illam primam horam et secundam horam post mediam noctem, puer ille vite pristine restitutus est,

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et hoc meritis et precibus beate marie virginis et dicti boni

4m miraculum. De mortua suscitata.

Osmundi, ut credit iste deponens. Item dicit iste iuratus specialiter requisitus quod quondam vidit quamdam uxorem Iohannis Haselbere de Ciuitate Sarum, prius mersam in aqua et mortuam reputatam, vt ipsamet mulier sic submersa isti iurato retulit viua voce, venientem ad tumbam dicti Osmundi et orantem pro vita sua restituta, et hoc meritis et precibus beate marie virginis et dicti boni Osmundi,

5m miraculum.

ut credit iste deponens. Item dicit iste iuratus quod quidam [a]Thomas Wysebeche, quondam Canonicus Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum et residenciarius in eadem, magnam infirmitatem in capite per multa tempora passus est emigranea nuncupatam, qui veniens ad tumbam prefati Osmundi et ibidem orans sanitatem capitis recuperauit, de visu et sciencia istius iurati, et hoc meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi ut iste iuratus credit. Dicit eciam iste iuratus specialiter requisitus quod a tempore quadraginta annorum bene vidit et nouit quod magna fuit et adhuc est deuocio et concursus populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi in ecclesia Sarum, de cecis, claudis, et aliis diuersis infirmitatibus

[a] Preb. of Stratford 1403, of Netherbury in Terra 1404.

et angustiis vexatis, pro remedio et auxilio eis in eorum necessitatibus obtinendis. Ipsumque ut sanctum tota mente et deuocione cupiunt et affectant de terra exaltari ac eum canonizari et venerari acclamant apud deum. Multa eciam alia miracula fecit et operatus est deus meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi Episcopi xlviii
temporibus istius iurati, de quibus certitudinaliter non recolit in presenti, super quibus ac omnibus et singulis per eum superius depositis in Ciuitate et Diocesei Sarum laborauit et adhuc est publica vox et fama vt dicit.

Dominus Willelmus Caundell Capellanus perpetue Cantorie in ecclesia Cathedrali Sarum et a tempore discrecionis sue ipsam ecclesiam frequentans, etatis sexaginta annorum, ut dicit, testis admissus Iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat in ea parte cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit. Et quo ad miraculum factum in Iohanne Bemyster furioso, concordat eciam cum eodem domino Iohanne Golde, superius examinato, de visu et sciencia suis. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, Necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem. ij testis. Concordat cum primo teste in 2° miraculo.

Dominus Robertus Neton vicarius in ecclesia Sarum etatis sexaginta annorum et amplius, ut dicit, a puericia ibidem moram trahens et in eadem hucusque deseruiens, testis admissus iruratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat in ea parte cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod circiter xxviii annos elapsos vidit quemdam infantem cuiusdam Willelmi Westmoor de Ciuitate Sarum in quodam riuulo eiusdem Ciuitatis decur- xlviii *b* iij testis. 6m miraculum. De mortuo suscitato forsitan idem est cum 3° miraculo.

rente quasi mortuum iacentem, quem iste iuratus et quidam vicinus suus videntes et de aqua extrahentes mortuum inuenerunt; pro cuius vita recuperanda deum et dictum Osmundum exorarunt, et ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi deportarunt, et fusis ibidem oracionibus pro eodem, Idem infans vite sue fuerat
7m miraculum. restitutus. Item dicit iste iuratus quod xviii annis elapsis febribus acutis fuit infirmatus et eadem infirmitate per medietatem anni grauiter vexatus, in tantum quod spiritum fortitudinis et loquele sue amisit, et quasi exanimis per triduum iacuit, et tandem per
xlix sensum auditus intelligens fratrem suum orantem pro eo ad deum et Osmundum Episcopum ipse eciam infirmus spiritum suum erexit, et pro sanitate sua recuperanda ad deum et eundem Osmundum tacite in corde et mente preces suas effudit, et statim loquelam recuperauit ac consequenter sanitatem tocius corporis adquisiuit, et hoc meritis et precibus Osmundi supradicti ut credit.
8m miraculum. Item dicit ipse deponens requisitus quod xvi annis elapsis vel circiter iste iuratus lumen sinistri oculi sui ex casu fortuito amisit per septem dies integros, et tandem tumbam dicti Osmundi peregre visitauit, et ibidem fusis oracionibus statim visum oculi sui recuperauit, quo adhuc gaudet, meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi ut credit. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro Canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit concordat eciam cum eodem.

iiij testis. Iohanna Bromley uxor Iohannis Bromley de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super sactimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi neconon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat
xlix *b* cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore viginti annorum quo moram traxit in
9m miraculum. Ciuitate Sarum. Item requisita super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod duobus annis elapsis in die anniuersarii Osmundi supradicti Agnes filia sua etatis quatuordecim annorum, pro tunc in quodam alto loco existens, et de eo descendere volens, cecidit super veru ferreum acutum ex igne calidum

ibidem incaute dimissum, fine eiusdem acuto sursum erecto, quod veru eandem a sub vmbilico eiusdem per totum medium corporis sui ad intus vsque ad medium scapularum et extra perforauit, et in magna longitudine exiuit, et sic quasi mortua in terram corruit et vt mortua a cunctis intuentibus dicebatur, et statim veniens ista iurata mater eiusdem Agnetis et videns eandem filiam cum veru predicto sic perforatam, huiusmodi veru de corpore eiusdem Agnetis extraxit, et statim Iohannes Bromley maritus istius deponentis ipsamet deponens ac Nicholaus Bray et Matildis Stubbys necnon alii conuicini sui, de huiusmodi infortunis multum condolentes, flexis ad terram genibus clamauerunt et orauerunt ad dominum deum et beatam virginem Mariam ac bonum Osmundum Episcopum supradictum, pro vita et sanitate eiusdem 1
Agnetis recuperanda, vouentes et promittentes se prefatum Osmundum ad tumbam sepulture sue in ecclesia Sarum peregre visitare, et facto breui interuallo reuixit et loquebatur dicta Agnes, que mortua fuerat reputata, que infra duos dies sequentes de lecto suo surgens in domo parentum suorum deambulauit, et infra decem dies plene conualuit, et ad tumbam Osmundi predicti cum parentibus et amicis suis peregre accessit, gracias deo beate Marie et dicto Osmundi pro vita et sanitate suis exsoluens ; et sic eadem Agnes, in breui tempore consequenti, mundum relinquens in monasterio monialium de Ambresbury facta est monialis ; que sic ibidem monialis ad huc viuit gaudens plena corporis sanitate. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore supradicto quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum.

Iohannes Bromley Ciuis Ciuitatis Sarum etatis quadraginta v testis.
annorum et amplius, ut dicit, testis admissus Iuratus examinatus
et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus 1 b
prefata Iohanna uxor sua et contestis superius dixit et deposuit, Concordat.
concordat cum eadem, hoc mutato, quod iste iuratus non extraxit veru de corpore dicte Agnetis.

Matildis Stubbis mulier de Ciuitate Sarum nata xxx annorum vi testis.
etatis et amplius, ut dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et Concordat.

diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus dicta Iohanna uxor Iohannis Bromley contestis sua superius dixit et deposuit, concordat cum Iohanne Bromley superius examinato pro tempore discrecionis sue.

vii testis.[1] Concordat.

Nicholaus Bray de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, ut dicit, testis admissus Iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus prefata Iohanna vxor Iohannis Bromley contestis sua superius dixit et deposuit, concordat cum dicto Iohanne Bromley superius examinato pro tempore viginti annorum et amplius quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum.

viii testis. Concordat. li

Agnes filia dicte Iohanne Bromley modo monialis monasterii de Ambresburi, etatis xvj annorum, vt dicit, que fuit vt prefertur ad mortem vulnerata et iam sana, admissa Iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus Iohanna mater sua dixit et deposuit, dicit quod bene nouit et recordatur quomodo et qualiter ipsa, volens descendere de alto, cecidit super veru ferreum calidum peracutum, prout mater sua superius deposuit. Dicit eciam quod postea informauit eam dicta mater sua quomodo ipsa mortua fuit, et qualiter pro vita sua recuperanda deum et Osmundum Episcopum vnacum aliis tunc presentibus exorauit, et dicit quod postea bene sciuit et sensiit ista iurata se esse vite restitutam, meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi ut firmiter credit, cuius tumbam infra paucos dies vnacum parentibus et amicis suis gracias exsoluendo peregre visitauit.

ix testis. li *b* 10 miraculum de mortuo suscitato.

Laurencius Fyton generosus etatis xxxiiij annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde, conteste suo superius examinato, de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore xiiij annorum et amplius quo moram traxit in Ciuitate et diocesei Sarum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit dicit quod vndecim annis proxime elapsis moram trahens cum magistro [a]Ricardo Wyche Canonico Sarum infra clausum ibidem, vidit et

[a] Preb: of Ramsbury 1388—1414. Rector of Fredington, Worcestershire.

nouit quando quidam Iohannes Hoggys, familiaris dicti magistri Ricardi, in tam grauem infirmitatem cecidit quod mortuus fuit a circumstantibus reputatus, vnde idem Magister Ricardus et dominus Symon Longe capellanus suus de dicto familiari condolentes, ad dominum deum et beatam virginem ac Osmundum Episcopum pro sanitate dicti familiaris restituenda conclamarunt, et duos denarios super corpus dicti familiaris mortui reputati flectentes et ad prefatum bonum Osmundum offerre promittentes, statim idem familiaris, post promissionem huiusmodi, surrexit, et die proxima tunc sequenti sanus ambulauit, et tumbam prefati Osmundi Episcopi peregre visitauit, gracias deo beate Marie et dicto Osmundo pro vita et sanitate suis rependens. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture prefati Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens certitudinaliter non recolit, concordat cum eodem pro tempore supradicto quo moram traxit in Ciuitate et diocesei Sarum. lii.

Dominus Thomas Adekyn vicarius in ecclesia Sarum etatis quinquaginta annorum et amplius, ut dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus Laurencius Fyton precontestis suus superius examinatus extitit, concordat cum eodem. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit dicit et concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde quantum ad miraculum factum de quodam puero demerso et mortuo ac ad tumbam Osmundi predicti delato et ibidem de nocte custodito. Item dicit requisitus quod, circiter xvj annos elapsos, quidam Thomas Taylor clericus infra Clausum Sarum, in lecto suo de nocte dormiendo quiescens et subito euigilans, sensiit alteram tibiam suam valde infirmatam, et usque ad posteriora sua curuatam et restrictam ita quod nullo modo eandem extendere valuit, et sic magnum dolorem in eadem tibia sensiens cum baculo vice tibie sue se sustentauit, et ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi se direxit, et ibidem per triduum orans, nocte tercii diei in sompnis apparuit sibi Osmundus Episcopus, ut sibi videbatur, et tibiam suam infirmam a posterioribus suis traxit et sanam fecit, Ita quod de mane surgens baculum suum abiciens rectis tibiis iterum ad tumbam dicti lii *b*

x testis.

Concordat cum precontesto.

Concordat cum primo teste huius examinacionis in 3° miraculo.

IIm miraculum

Osmundi properauit et gracias deo et dicto Osmundo pro sanitate sua exsoluit.

xi testis. Dominus Iohannes Bokulhurst vicarius in ecclesia Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum, ut dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus

Concordat. et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus dominus Thomas Adekyn precontestis suus superius examinatus extitit quo ad miraculum factum in Thoma Taylor clerico in tibia curuata, concordat cum eodem de visu et sciencia suis. Requisitus insuper iste iuratus de sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat eciam cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum pro tempore viginti annorum quo moram traxit in ecclesia et clauso Sarum. Et de deuocione et concursu populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon de affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens certitudinaliter non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

xii testis. Concordat. liii Dominus Laurencius Melkesham vicarius in ecclesia Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum, ut dicit, qui per viginti sex annos fuit et ad huc est vicarius in eadem, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus dominus Iohannes Bokulherst precontestis suus superius dixit et deposuit dicit et concordat cum eodem.

xiii testis. Ricardus Wodewell, Carpentarius de Ciuitate Sarum, etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, ut dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu mariorum et seniorum suorum, prout ipse superius deposuit, pro tempore more sue viginti annorum quo inibi fuerat

12 miraculum de mortua suscitata. conuersatus. [a]Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi

[a] There is another account of this miracle in the Harding Register fo. 25, where the accident is stated to have happened on St. Mark's day 1409. The "Massa ferrea" is there called a "coyte," and Richard Wodewell is referred to by all the deponents as Richard Carpenter, his trade. One of the witnesses

si que nouit, dicit quod in die sancti Marci ad decem annos proxime elapsos presens fuit in villata de [a]Larkestoke iuxta Sarum ubi et quando ipse et alii socii sui lapides et massas ferreas ad certas metas more ludencium proicientes colludebant, fueruntque tunc ibidem plures Iuuenes ipsius villate ad ludum venientes, inter quas fuit vna puella nomine Cristina Cerlee etatis nouem annorum, que ultra metas iactancium lapides ad distanciam duodecim pedum sedebat, vt estimat iste iuratus, liii *b* et quod iste deponens multociens ad illam metam iactabat et nullo modo potuit eam attingere, vna tamen vice iactabat massam suam ferream ad eandem metham, ponderis vnius libre ferri, que massa, preter voluntatem et propositum istius iactantis, se progrediens ad prefatam Cristinam sic a longe distantem exiliuit, et eam in capite prope occiput grauiter vulnerauit, in tanto quod craneum ipsius capitis vsque and cerebrum confregit, sicque ipsa Cristina vulnerata ad terram cecidit et ibidem per horam et dimidium exanimis et mortua iacuit, vnde amici et circumstantes plures condolentes flexis genibus deum et beatam mariam necnon Osmundum Episcopum pro vita ipsius Cristine exorarunt, et tumbam ipsius visitare peregre promiserunt. Et sic factis oracionibus huiusmodi pro eadem ipsa ad vitam restituta est. Et post octo dies sequentes ipsa puella parentes et amici sui ad tumbam dicti Osmundi peregre conuenerunt, ubi apud deum et Osmundum predictum profusis oracionibus predictis et graciarum actionibus ad propria cum gaudio redierunt, et postea per sex annos et amplius prefata Cristina gaudens sanitate superuixit de visu et sciencia suis. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture prefati Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes liiii Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro Canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens certitudinaliter non recolit, concordat cum predicto domino Iohanne Golde pro tempore more sue predicte.

Alicia Cerle de villata de Larkestoke mater dicte Cristine Cerle xiiii testis. etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata Concordat.

speaks of Richard Carpenter flying "ad ecclesiam causa immunitatis et defensionis ecclesie habende propter lesionem Cristine antedicte," and another witness says he was in the church when Richard Carpenter fled there "dicens se interfecisse quandam puellam."

[a] Laverstock.

et diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus Ricardus Wodewell precontestis suus superius dixit et deposuit, concordat cum eodem hoc mutato, quod non fuerat presens quando dictus Ricardus cum huiusmodi massa ferrea percussit filiam suam vt prefertur.

xv testis. Walterus Masseday de Larkestoke predicta etatis quinquaginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus
Concordat. Ricardus Wodewell contestis suus superius dixit et deposuit, concordat cum eodem hoc excepto, quod iste iuratus non percussit dictam Cristinam cum massa ferrea prout ipse Ricardus superius deposuit, et hoc eciam addito quod iste deponens fuit primus qui ipsam Cristinam sic exanimem et mortuam reputatam
liiii *b* in vlnas suas suscepit, et illam massam ferream in capite ipsius Cristine remanentem inuenit, et sic de vita dicte Cristine presens deponens ac parentes eiusdem Cristine et circumstantes desperantes deum et Osmundum Episcopum antedictum pro vita ipsius recuperanda orauerunt, et statim dicta Cristina aperuit os suum et oculos erexit et liquorem in se suscepit, et infra octo dies proximos sequentes meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi vt credit sanata est puella illa, et massam ferream huiusmodi ad tumbam dicti Osmundi obtulit.

xvi testis. Dominus Willelmus Cothe prius vicarius in ecclesia Sarum et nunc vicarius de Larkestoke supradicta, etatis quinquagenta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus Ricardus
Concordat. Wodewell contestis suus prius examinatus extitit, concordat cum Alicia Cerlee superius examinata. Item dicit iste iuratus quod
13m miraculum. viginti sex annis elapsis et vltra vidit quando Magister [a]Radulphus Selby tunc canonicus Sarum venit peregre ad tumbam Osmundi Episcopi et ibidem flexis genibus orauit, qui factis oracionibus suis surgens loquebatur cum Canonicis confratribus suis ad ipsum venientibus et asseruit quod iacens in graui infirmitate sua London
lv vox auribus suis insonuit, vade Sarum et ora deum et Osmundum Episcopum ut sanus fias, vnde statim ad deum et Osmundum pro sua sanitate deuote exorauit et sanitatem consecutus est.

[a] Preb: of Alton Borealis 1392, of Netherbury in Ecclesia 1395. LL.D., Warden of King's Hall, Cam: 1391—1399. Preb: of Driffield in York Minster 1385. Sub-dean of York 1386. Archdeacon of Buckingham 1392, of Norfolk 1398.

Iohanna Tichefeld mulier de Ciuitate Sarum etatis lxviii annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super dictis et deposicionibus super quibus dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, quantum ad miraculum factum in puero merso in Ciuitate Sarum in vico vocato Endelestrete concordat cum eodem, hoc addito quod ille puer sic demersus fuit filius Stephani Folke adhuc viuentis. Requisita eciam ista iurata super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, ac de deuocione et concursu populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem de auditu et sciencia suis pro tempore discrecionis istius iurate ut dicit, dicit insuper ista requisita quod ipsa paticbatur defectum grauem et continuum visus sui in oculis suis per annum et amplius quasi nichil videns, pro quo defectu ipsa, dolore percussa eo quod sacramentum altaris in missa oblatum videre non poterat, votum vouit deo et Osmundo predicto ipsam ad tumbam suam peregre visitare pro lumine oculorum suorum recuperando, et statim voto facto visum suum perspicuum recuperauit quem adhuc habet ad videndum omnia que videnda sunt.

xvii testis.

Concordat cum primo teste in 3° miraculo.

14 miraculum.

lv *b*

Dominus Iohannes Mareys Capellanus nuper de Duryngton Sarum dioceseos etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore discrecionis sue. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit dicit quod quinque annis elapsis apud Duryngton quidam Robertus Clerk de eadem quemdam vicinum suum Iohannem Luyde cum quodam longo instrumento ferreo ad modum daggarii formato per medium corporis in pectore transfixit, Ita quod ipse Iohannes Luyde cecidit mortuus ab omnibus reputatus, et statim vicini et amici sui ad Osmundum predictum acclamarunt, et pro vita et sanitate eiusdem vulnerati deum et dictum Osmundum

xviii testis.

15 miraculum de mortuo suscitato.

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instantes orarunt, et statim fusis oracionibus ad vitam restitutus est de visu et sciencia suis, et sic postea in breui dictum Osmundum ad tumbam suam in ecclesia Sarum vnacum dicto Roberto Clerk qui eum sic percussit et aliis peregre visitauit. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, ac affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, necnon de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore discrecionis.

xix testis. Frater Willelmus Hyndon de ordine minorum Ciuitatis Sarum etatis quinquaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis Concordat. super quibus dominus Iohannes Mareys precontestis suus superius dixit et deposuit, concordat cum eodem de auditu, hoc addito quod vidit quando dictus Iohannes Luyde et Robertus Clerk simul cum aliis venerunt peregre ad visitandum Osmundum antedictum ad tumbam ipsius in ecclesia Sarum deferendo secum illud instrumentum ferreum cum quo prefatus Robertus dictum lvi *b* Iohannem vulnerauit, et illud super tumbam Osmundi ibidem dimiserunt.

xx testis. Magister Iohannes Dygon in legibus Baccalarius etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus Iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde superius examinato pro tempore xvi annorum quo moram traxit in diocesei Sarum. Requisitus eciam de deuocione et concursu populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis, de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue 16 miraculum. predicte. Requisitus eciam super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit vel audiuit, dicit quod in mense Martii proximo preterito iste deponens moram trahens cum domino [a]Georgio

[a] Preb. of Netherbury in Terra 1393—1403, of Fordington and Writhlington 1403—4, Treasurer of Salisbury 1404—1427, Rector of St. Thomas, Salisbury.

Louthorp Thesaurario Ecclesie Sarum infra clausum ibidem et eundem Thesaurarium graui infirmitate per longum tempus et quasi vsque ad mortem languentem custodiens et videns quod ipse Thesaurarius, vi et violencia infirmitatis sue, loquelam suam lvii diuersis vicibus amisit, deum et bonum Osmundum episcopum pro restitucione loquele dicti Thesaurarii exorans, ipsum Osmundum ad tumbam suam in ecclesia Sarum secrete et deuote visitauit, et statim loquela eidem Thesaurario fuerat restituta meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi, vt credit iste iuratus, et continue ab illo tempore loquela sua sana gauisus est de visu et sciencia istius iurati vt dicit. Dicit eciam iste iuratus requisitus, quod sepius audiuit a 17 miraculum. senioribus suis fidedignis quibus fidem adhibuit, et ex fama publica in hac parte laborante didicit, quod, prefato patre Osmundo Episcopo adhuc viuente, quidam vir prope Ciuitatem Sarum moram trahens, et Ierosolimam peregre proficiscens, in redeundo de Ierosolimis ad [a]portam Iaphet, et ibi nauigium expectans ac dormiendo quiescens, apparuit sibi in sompnis quedam mulier valde speciosa et ait ad eum, "Unde es tu, et de qua gente," qui respondit, "Anglicus sum et de Anglia natus prope Ciuitatem Sarum moram trahens," que iterum interrogauit eundem, "Nosti ne illum bonum virum Osmundum Episcopum Sarum," qui dixit, "Bene noui," et illa mulier iterum ait "Accipe hanc literam sigillatam de manibus meis et porta eam in terram tuam, et prefato bono Osmundo Episcopo eciam lvii *b* nomine tradas, sub hiis verbis dicens eidem, "Domina tua te salutauit et literam apud portam Iaphet liberatam destinauit," et dedit ei signum credulitatis nuncii huismodi, tangendo eundem cum manu sua in pectore suo nudo, Ita quod vestigia singulorum digitorum suorum toto tempore vite in pectore suo apparuerunt impressa, et statim, postquam dictus vir euigilauit, videns huiusmodi literam in manu sua et huiusmodi signum in pectore suo impressum, se eodem die in propria patria et prope Ciuitatem Sarum se reuersum inuenit, et hoc meritis et precibus dicti boni visi Osmundi Episcopi. Et statim ad dictum Osmundum Episcopum accedens literam huiusmodi eidem presentauit, et signum credulitatis in pectore suo impressum eidem ostendit. Dicit eciam iste iuratus quod super miraculo de huiusmodi peregrino veniente de Ierosolima superius deposito in Ciuitate et diocesei Sarum laborauit et laborat publica vox et fama.

[a] Jaffa or Joppa was the port chiefly used by Pilgrims to Jerusalem.

xxi testis. Dominus Petrus[a] Benham Succentor ecclesie Sarum etatis quinquaginta annorum et amplius, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus de sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis
lviii et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, et de deuocione et concursu populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem Magister Iohannes Dygon superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens
Concordat cum preconteste. non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore vigintisex annorum quo moram traxit infra clausum Sarum. Quo ad miraculum de peregrino veniente de Ierosolima et literam Osmundi Episcopi secum deferente, super quo magister Iohannes Dygon superius examinatus deposuit, concordat cum eodem.

xxii testis. Iohannes Hamme de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadriginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus dominus
Concordat cum precontestibus suis addendo. Benham contestis suus superius deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eodem, hoc addito, quod homo ille peregrinus fuerat de villata de Bymerton prope Ciuitatem Sarum clericus, et quod in reditu suo inuenit se euigilatum in terra propria prope hospitale sancti Iohannis situatum iuxta Ciuitatem Sarum, et premissa ex relatu parentum et seniorum suorum quibus fidem adhibuit et ex fama publica super eodem in Ciuitate et diocesei Sarum a diu et
lviii *b* adhuc in ea parte laborante didicit et audiuit.

xxiii testis. Concordat. Robertus Padellis de Ciuitate Sarum etatis sexaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus Iohannes Hamme precontestis suus deposuit concordat in omnibus cum eodem.

xxiiii testis. 18 miraculum de mortuo suscitato. Editha Westemour mulier de Ciuitate Sarum etatis sexaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde superius examinato, et dicit ulterius ista iurata requisita quod in vigilia omnium sanctorum proxime preterita fuerunt

[a] Succentor of Salisbury 1418—1424.

viginti quatuor anni elapsi, quidam filius suus nomine Iohannes etatis duorum annorum demersus fuit in quodam profundo et rotundo aque puteo infra mansum suum in Ciuitate Sarum, et ibi iacuit mortuus per duas horas vel circiter, quo postea extracto et mortuo inuento ac per duas horas et ultra postea mortuo iacente, Ista deponens mater eiusdem et alii conuicini sui pro vita eius recuperanda preces et oraciones domino deo beate Marie virgini et dicto Osmundo deuote effuderunt, quibus oracionibus sic factis Idem infantulus vitam recuperauit, clamando dicens trina vice cuidam Thome Pole ipsum in vlnis suis baiulanti, "Thoma vadamus ad ecclesiam," et eodem die circa horam vesperorum eadem deponens cum puero et aliis conuicinis ad tumbam dicti Osmundi peregre accessit, ibidem pro vita ipsius pueri recuperata deo beate virgini et Osmundo predicto gracias reddiderunt. Et super isto in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum eodem. lix

Thomas Pole de Ciuitate Sarum etatis sexaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus Editha Westmour precontestis sua deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eadem; et quo ad miraculum in Iohanne Bemyster furioso et furia laborante dicit iste iuratus specialiter requisitus et concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde superius examinato. xxv testis. Concordat cum proxima teste. Concordat cum primo teste in 2° miraculo.

Margeria Auen uxor Willelmi Auen pelliparii de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissa Iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus Editha Westemour superius examinata deposuit dicit et concordat cum eadem. xxvi testis. lix *b* Concordat.

Iohannes Combe de villata de Quydhampton ad duo miliaria prope Sarum, etatis quinquaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super xxvii testis.

suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis per dictum dominum Iohannem Golde in ea parte depositis, concordat cum
19 miraculum. eodem pro tempore viginti annorum quo moram traxit in dyocesei Sarum, et dicit ulterius iste iuratus requisitus quod decem annis elapsis in villata de Bymerton homines vicini sue [a]ludentes ad pilam cum baculis magnis, inter se discordarunt in ludo huiusmodi, et iste deponens veniens iuxta eos et audiens eos discordantes et quasi ad pugnandum paratos, immiscuit se inter eos ad cedandam discordiam et pugnam impediendam, et subito vnus eorum cum baculo grandi ipsum in dextra parte capitis sui percussit et craneum fregit vsque ad cerebrum patefactum ac
lx eciam in scapula dextra, frangendo ossa sua scapularia, ita quod pre dolore vulnerum eiusdem presens deponens ad domum suam ductus in lecto suo iacuit infirmus nec audire nec videre neque caput aut brachium suum vix mouere potuit per tres menses et amplius. Tandem in dolore suo iacenti apparuit sibi, vt dicit, quidam vir vestitus albo quasi superpellicio cum tanto lumine fulgenti quod ipse languens per totam domum clare videre potuit, vt apparuit eidem, et dixit sibi, "O homo fac tibi caput cum humeris de cera vulneribus tam in capite quam in scapulis impressis vulneribus tuis similibus, et vade ad bonum Osmundum Episcopum et offeres ibidem, et eum ores et sanus eris," et incontinenti euigilans in toto corpore suo alleuiatus fuit ac visum et auditum integraliter recuperauit, et eadem ebdomada de lecto surrexit, et tumbam dicti Osmundi adiuit, et ibidem orauit ac gracias egit pro recuperacione sanitatis sue; et super hiis in villata de Quydhampton supradicta et locis conuicinis laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit,
lx *b* necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue supradicte.

xxviii testis. Concordat. Iohannes Luyde de villata de Quydhampton predicta etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus dictus Iohannes Combe precontestis suus superius dixit et

[a] This must, I think, have been an early form of cricket, such as that illustrated by Strutt (Sports and Pastimes, 2nd ed., p. 97) from a MS. in the Bodleian Library.

deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eodem, hoc excepto, quod iste deponens non fuit presens quo tempore idem Iohannes Combe fuit primo vt prefertur percussus et vulneratus.

Thomas Prydews de Ambresbury etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, Necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis per dominum Iohannem Golde in ea parte depositis, concordat cum eodem de visu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum peo tempore viginti duorum annorum quo moram traxit in diocesei Sarum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod die innocentium vltimo iam prestito in domo sua apud Ambresbury quidam filius suus Ricardus nomine etatis sex annorum habens cultellum in manu sua et in domo Solmayns ambulans subito ad terram cadens super ipsum cultellum cecidit, et ipsum in pectore letaliter vulnerauit, sicque ab omnibus superuenientibus iacens mortuus reputabatur, vnde pater et mater dicti pueri vnacum aliis postea superuenientes ac eundem puerum sic exanimem inuenientes, deum et Osmundum Episcopum pro vita ipsius pueri deuote exorauerunt, promiseruntque Osmundum Episcopum ad tumbam ipsius in ecclesia Sarum peregre visitare. Et sic statim, fusis huiusmodi oracionibus per eosdem, puer ille oculos aperuit et mouebat labia, materque ipsius pueri potum in os sui distillauit, et sic paulatim reuixit spiritus pueri ita quod post horam loquebatur directe, et sanitatem corporis infra breue recuperauit, super quibus in ipsa villa de Ambresbury et locis conuicinis fuit et est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

xxix testis.

20 miraculum de mortuo suscitato.

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Alicia vxor eiusdem Thome Prydews etatis triginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus dictus Thomas Prydews maritus suus superius dixit et deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eodem.

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xxx testis.

Concordat.

xxxi testis. Robertus Leuyng cellarius de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore discrecionis sue. Item requisitus super

21 miraculum de mortuo suscitato. aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod circiter quinque annos elapsos bene vidit et nouit quod quidam Ricardus paruulus etatis vnius anni et dimidii, filius Roberti Bulke cissoris de Ciuitate Sarum, in magno flumine iuxta Sarum decurrente demersus fuit, qui in eodem flumine per magnum spacium et

lxii tempus vi fluminis vectus fuit, quem quidem puerum sic submersum et mortuum ab omnibus reputatum quidam Ricardus Brystow et Robertus Broun de Ciuitate Sarum conuicini sui de visu et sciencia istius deponentis de ipso flumine extraxerunt, quem sic extractum ad domum cuiusdam vicini proximi deportarunt, ubi effusa aqua de corpore ipsius defuncti iste deponens et alii plures viri et mulieres tunc inibi existentes deum et Osmundum Episcopum predictum pro vita ipsius exorabant, sicque fusis precibus et deuocionibus ab eisdem ad vitam restitutus est, super quibus omnibus in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis fuit et est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et aliis miraculis, de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore discrecionis sue.

xxxii testis. Concordat. Robertus Bulke Cissor de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus Robertus Leuyng precontestis suus superius dixit et deposuit,

lxii *b* concordat cum eodem hoc excepto, quod non fuit presens quando dictus puer sic demersus et mortuus de aqua extractus erat.

xxxiii testis. Concordat. Iohanna vxor prefati Roberti Bulke mater dicti pueri etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super omnibus et singulis super quibus pre-

dictus Robertus Bulke maritus suus superius dixit et deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eodem.

Willelmus Hendyng de villata de Larkestoke etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus Iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato pro tempore discrecionis sue. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis si que nouit, dicit quod viginti annis elapsis et ultra iste deponens moram trahens apud Fernham distancia octodecim miliarum a Ciuitate Sarum scindendo vnam arborem spinosam ipsam versus terram flectendo, subito arbor illa erexit se et cum acuta spina istum deponentem in pupilla oculi sui dextri fixit et vulnerauit, et visum vtriusque oculi ob dolorem dicte fixure et vulneris amisit et cecus factus est, et statim iste deponens de bono Osmundo Episcopo se recogitans deum ac beatam virginem Mariam et Osmundum predictum flexis genibus in eodem loco ubi vulneratus fuit pro visu rehabendo exorauit, et deinde infra quatuor dies sequentes plenum visum in vtroque oculo recuperauit. Et super isto in villata de Larkestoke et locis conuicinis fuit et est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam eodem pro tempore discrecionis sue.

xxxiiii testis.

22 miraculum

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Walterus Masseday de villata de Larkestoke predicta etatis quinquaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus inter alia super dictis et deposicionibus Willelmi Hendyng precontestis sui quantum ad cecitatem oculorum suorum occasione fixure et vulneracionis per spinam fixam in oculo suo dicit et concordat cum eodem.

xxxv testis. Concordat.

Iohannes Machon de Ciuitate Sarum etatis Quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne

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xxxvi testis.

Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore xxvj annorum quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum.

23 miraculum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod circiter quindecim annos elapsos Agnes vxor istius iurati passa fuit per sex septimanas continuas magnum et vehementem dolorem in dentibus suis, Ita quod quasi mente capta fuit pre dolore dencium, vnde iste deponens timens ne vxor sua furiam simpliciter incurreret, orauit dominum deum beatam Mariam et Osmundum Episcopum vt vxorem eius a dolore dencium et pena huiusmodi liberarent et ipsam ad tumbam dicti Osmundi adduxit, ibique oracione facta per eosdem alter dens dolens ab ore vxoris sue subito exiliit et dolor in toto euanuit. Quodque ad domum propriam redeuntibus, prefata Agnes vxor sua ab omni dolore dencium liberata et sana facta est. Super

lxiiii quibus in Ciuitate Sarum fuit et est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

xxxvii testis. Willelmus Ropere de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quinquaginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro

24 miraculum. tempore discrecionis sue. Item requisitus super aliis Miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit dicit quod viginti annis elapsis vel circiter iste iuratus habuit vnam sibi seruientem nomine Matildem, que iam est vxor eius, que quadam nocte circa mediam eiusdem surgens de lecto suo nuda, sensiit quasi vnum ipsam cum cultello in femore suo dextro grauiter percutientem, vnde statim eadem grauiter infirmata et contracta per duos

lxiiii *b* annos et dimidium iacuit nec aliquo medicamento sibi adhibito curari potuit. Sed tandem postea consilio cuiusdam mulieris vicine sue fecit votum ad visitandum peregre Osmundum

Episcopum ad tumbam suam in Ecclesia Sarum et orauit ad deum et eundem Osmundum pro sanitate sua recuperanda, et fecit se mensurari cum vno filo per quod facta fuit vna candela cerea ad longitudinem et latitudinem corporis dicte mulieris ad tumbam dicti Osmundi offerenda, et statim eadem nocte sequenti post huius modi votum factum dicta Matildis tibiam suam sic contractam extendebat, que in extensione huiusmodi magnum strepitum fecit, et sic infra triduum sana facta est ab infirmitate predicta, et ad tumbam Osmundi predicti peregre profecta est et gracias deo et Osmundo Episcopo, vnacum candela ad longitudinem et latitudinem corporis ipsius facta offerens tunc ibidem. Et super isto in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis fuit et est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum dicto domino Iohanne Golde pro tempore discrecionis sue.

Geruasius Brode frater de ordine minorum de Ciuitate Sarum lxv
etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus xxxviii testis.
iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato pro tempore triginta annorum quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum. Item dicit ulterius super nouis miraculis 25 miraculum.
requisitus si que nouit, quod triginta annis elapsis vel circiter bene vidit et nouit quod quidam vir vulgariter nominatus Thomas furiosus, et in magna huiusmodi sua furia constitutus, consilio et adiutorio amicorum adiuit [a]tumbam dicti Osmundi in ecclesia Sarum, et posuit manus suas maniculatas ferro ligatas in foraminibus eiusdem sepulcri, et facta ibi aliqua mora et orantibus circumstantibus ad deum et Osmundum predictum, manus suas tandem extraxit liberas, cathenis illis quibus erat ligatus inibi de

[a] It has been suggested that the tomb on the South side of the nave, which is commonly called that of Lord Stourton, is part of that under which the remains of St. Osmund were deposited upon their translation to the present Cathedral. The three openings (foramina see text,) in the side are very similar to those found in shrines of Saints, and the workmanship is not later than the early part of the xiii[th] century. Lord Stourton died in the latter half of the xvi[th] century.

manibus suis cadentibus et dimissis, et sic sanus recessit, super quibus omnibus in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis fuit et adhuc est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisatione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

lxv *b* Iohannes Swyft tinctor de Ciuitate Sarum etatis quinquaginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum, prout ipse superius deposuit, pro
xxxix testis. tempore viginti annorum quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod duodecim annis elapsis in arte sua tinctoria laborans posuit in vase suo ligneo, Wodefate nuncupato, wodam et cineres et alia ad huiusmodi tincturam pertinencia pro pannis laneis et lineis intingendis in eodem, et subito omnia in huiusmodi vase ad tincturam pertinencia quasi extra naturam suam in
26 miraculum. ipsius graue dampnum sunt mutata, vnde statim clamauit iste deponens ad deum et Osmundum predictum et eos deuote exorauit quatenus ipsum ab huiusmodi dampno conseruarent. Quiquidem iuratus virtuti sui iuramenti prestiti asseruit quod vas suum tinctorium predictum et omnia in eodem contenta ad artem suam tinctoriam pertinencia infra duas horas post oracionem suam factam ad virtutem suam naturalem totaliter sunt conuersa, et hoc miraculose meritis et precibus dicti Osmundi, ut credit, et maius commodum et incrementum de labore suo illa vice quam
lxvi aliis vicibus habuit et percepit de sciencia istius iurati, et ex habundanti vnum vas cereum ad similitudinem vasis sui Wodefate supradicti in honorem dicti Osmundi ad ipsius tumbam obtulit, et sic ab illo tempore singulis annis tociens quociens huiusmodi periculum in arte sua sibi contingit, deum et Osmundum deprecatus est et indempnis conseruatus est, meritis et operibus dicti Osmundi vt credit iste iuratus. Et super istis in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama.

Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum eodem pro tempore more sue supradicte.

Robertus White de Ciuitate Sarum etatis Quadraginta sex annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato, de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore triginta annorum quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod viginti annis elapsis dum erat etatis vigintisex annorum et amplius, iste deponens grauem infirmitatem, et ei vt apparuit incurabilem, in membris suis incurrebat, in qua in lecto suo per dimidium anni et vltra iacuit incuruatus nullo modo se erigere valens, demum iste sic languens de sanitate sua desperans vnacum patre et matre suis et aliis amicis ad deum beatam virginem Mariam et Osmundum Episcopum pro sanitate sua recuperanda deuote clamauerunt, vouentes corpus ipsius Osmundi in ecclesia Sarum sepultum peregre visitare, post quasquidem peregrinacionem et deuocionem apud eundem Osmundum per eosdem factas, iste idem Robertus sanitatem sui corporis, meritis et intercessionibus dicti Osmundi vt credit, per omnia consequtus est. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisatione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte. lxvi *b* xl testis. 27 miraculum. lxvii

Thomas Yoxford de Ciuitate Sarum Candelarius etatis viginti annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu xli testis.

maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro
28 miraculum. tempore quatuor annorum quo moram traxit in Ciuitate Sarum. Item requisitus super aliis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod festo Michaelis proxime preterito vsque ad festum Natiuitatis domini proxime sequens magnam et grauem patiebatur
lxvii *b* infirmitatem in qua in lecto suo continue iacuit sic infirmus vnde tam iste quam vxor sua et alii conuicini sui de vita sua desperabant. Postea vero contingebat quod facto voto per istum infirmum per vxorem suam et amicos suos ad peregrinandum et visitandum corpus dicti Osmundi in ecclesia Sarum sepultum, quibus voto et peregrinacione per eosdem completis, Idem Thomas statim quasi postea sanitatem recuperauit. Et super isto in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi Episcopi pro remediis obtinendis prout Idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

xlii testis. Dominus Iohannes Sangere vicarius in ecclesia Sarum etatis quadraginta annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat eciam cum domino Iohanne Golde superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro
lxviii tempore triginta annorum quo moram traxit in dyocesei et clauso
99 miraculum de pene mortuo suscitato. Sarum. Item requisitus super nouis miraculis dicti Osmundi si que nouit, dicit quod xviij annis elapsis quidam Thomas Rylee clericus tunc et seruiens in ecclesia Sarum predicta, febre graui et terciana infirmatus fuit, sicque infirmatus per diuturnum tempus iacens in tanto exinanitus fuit quod mortuus ab isto deponente et aliis circumstantibus reputabatur, et sic mortuus reputatus iacuit per vnam horam, et tunc hora elapsa subito idem Thomas aperuit os suum et oculos suos et clamauit, "Osmunde, Osmunde, Osmunde succurre," et tunc iste deponens et alii circumstantes interrogarunt eum cur sic clamauit, qui respondit, "Bonus Osmundus Episcopus cum quispide baculi sui in gutture meo omnia inpediencia anelitum

meum depressit et amouit," et purgato gutture surrexit et ad tumbam dicti Osmundi in ecclesia Sarum sepulti perrexit et sanitatem corporis recuperauit. Et super isto in Ciuitate Sarum et locis conuicinis laborauit et adhuc laborat publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius dixit et deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de aliis miraculis factis lxviii *b*
de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat eciam cum eodem pro tempore more sue predicte.

Iohannes atte Bargh armiger etatis quadraginta quatuor xliii testis.
annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis supradictis, concordat cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore discrecionis sue. Item requisitus super nouis miraculis 30 miraculum
dicti Osmundi sique nouit, dicit quod anno proxime preterito quidam Walterus Romse armiger vicinus suus equitans de Ciuitate Sarum versus domum suam vnacum isto deponente et aliis, contigit ipsum ex impetu equi sui velociter currentis de cella sua ad terram prosterni pede sua in strepide celle sue remanente, Ita quod equus suus ipsum velociter sic currendo per pedem suum longitudine duorum stadiorum protraxit, et per tantum spacium idem equus cum cursu suo eundem Walterum velociter reuertendo retraxit, Ita quod idem Walterus factus est exanimis. Iste deponens et alii tunc presentes hoc videntes de vita sua desperabant, et ad deum et Osmundum Episcopum pro vita et lxix
sanitate suis deuote exorarunt, et statim fusis oracionibus huiusmodi pes ipsius Walteri de strepide huiusmodi cecidit, et ipse in terra quieuit, et sic ab omni periculo mortis in ea parte iminente meritis prefati Osmundi, vt iste deponens credit, idem Walterus liberatus fuit, et dicit insuper iste iuratus quod infra septem noctes ante presentem deposicionem proxime precedentes habuit in sompnis reuelatum quod memorie sue commendaret et testificaretur quomodo prefatus Walterus de periculo mortis sue per equum suum contingente vt prefertur liberatus fuit. Et super premissis fuit et adhuc est publica vox et fama. Quo ad

deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum eodem pro tempore discrecionis sue.

xliiii testis. Dominus Bartholomeus Frye qui fuit vicarius in ecclesia Sarum per vigintisex annos et adhuc est, etatis quadragintasex annorum, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus et diligenter requisitus super sanctimonia vite et miraculis Osmundi dudum Saresbiriensis Episcopi, necnon super suggestis et deductis in literis apostolicis lxix *b* supradictis, concordat eciam cum domino Iohanne Golde conteste suo superius examinato de auditu et relatu maiorum et seniorum suorum prout ipse superius deposuit pro tempore discrecionis sue.

31m miraculum. Item requisitus de nouis miraculis dicti Osmundi sique nouit, dicit quod ipsemet deponens infirmitates strangurii et calculi quasi incurabiles per sedecim annos valde grauiter sustinuit. Ita quod, vt sibi apparuit, mortem euitare non potuit, demum tamen factis per eum pluribus votis et peregrinacionibus ad diuersos sanctos in diuersis locis, subito venit ad mentem suam de bonitate Osmundi Episcopi supradicti, vt ipsum Osmundum toto corde suppliciter exoraret quatenus de infirmitatibus suis huiusmodi aliquo modo ipsum subleuaret et Iuuaret, qui ab eodem tempore leuiori pena et magis tollerabili infirmitatem suam sustinuit, et ab illo tempore tociens quociens infirmitates huiusmodi acciderint ab eisdem facilius liberatur. Super quibus in ciuitate et clauso Sarum fuit et adhuc est publica vox et fama. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout idem dominus Iohannes Golde superius deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et veneracione eiusdem et de lxx aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum eodem pro tempore discrecionis sue.

xlv testis. Iuliana mulier vxor Iohannis Gardener de villa de Dounton etatis quadraginta annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissa iurata examinata et diligenter requisita super miraculis per

32 miraculum. Osmundum predictum factis sique nouit, dicit quod in secunda septimana quadragesima vltimo iam preterita, videlicet anno domini millesimo cccc° xxiij°, In domo istius Iuliane apud Dounton predictam quidam Thomas filius suus Iuuenis etatis

vnius anni et dimidii in domo sua solus adhuc perambulauit et in manu sua quoddam lignum paruum peracutum ad longitudinem vnius cubiti in manu sua tenuit, et more ludencium puerorum in os suum posuit, vnde a casu idem puer tutubauit et super illud lignum cecidit, et ipsum per os suum vsque quasi in cerebrum perforauit, vnde ipsa mater superueniens inueniebat puerum suum huiusmodi iacentem resupinum, et inueniens lignum huismodi in ore suo adhuc remanens sanguinolentum clamauit et credebat istum filium suum fuisse et esse mortuum per magnum spacium temporis subsequenter, quodque postea extracto ligno ab ore pueri huiusmodi, ac superueniente patre eiusdem pueri per prius absente, et aliis amicis et conuicinis conuenientibus, ac fusis lxx *b*
lacrimis et factis oracionibus per eosdem ad deum et Osmundum predictum pro vita et sanitate eiusdem pueri recuperanda, puer ipse reuixit et sanitatem corporis recuperauit et adhuc sanus viuit. Dicit eciam ista iurata requisita quod quedam mulier 33 miraculum.
nomine Agnes Clerkes de Dounton predictam vicina sua languida fuit in tibia sua a casu fortuito per duos annos vel circiter, et tandem eadem mulier impregnata et prope partum existens et in nocte dormiens ac de mane surgens inuenit sanguinem in magna copia de eadem tibia sua extra et prope lectum effusum, de quo tam ipsa mulier quam maritus suus multum mirabantur et timebant multum de morte ipsius mulieris forsitan superueniente, cuius sanguinis effusio non cessabat quousque et eadem mulier et maritus suus vnacum aliis amicis suis et conuicinis deum et Osmundum Episcopum predictum fusis oracionibus precabantur pro sanitate eiusdem mulieris, quibus factis cessauit sanguinis effusio et mulier sanata est. Quo ad deuocionem et concursum populi ad locum sepulture dicti Osmundi pro remediis obtinendis, prout dominus Iohannes Golde contestis suus superius dixit et deposuit, necnon affectione habita pro canonisacione et lxxi
veneracione eiusdem, et de aliis miraculis factis de quibus ad presens non recolit, concordat cum eodem pro tempore viginti annorum quo moram traxit in diocesei Sarum.

Iohannes Gardener vir eiusdem Iuliane, etatis quinquaginta xlvi testis.
annorum et amplius, vt dicit, testis admissus iuratus examinatus Concordat.
et diligenter requisitus super omnibus et singulis super quibus prefata Iuliana vxor et precontestis sua superius dixit et deposuit, concordat in omnibus cum eadem.

Conclusio processus subdelegatorum.

In quorum quidem processuum predictorum tam per nos quam per alios quoscunque in hac parte habitorum seu formatorum ac aliorum omnium et singulorum premissorum fidem et testimonium dictas literas nostras certificatorias presensque transsumptum et instrumentum publicum eisdem annexum et clausum exinde fieri ac per notarios publicos et Scribas nostros in hac parte supra et infrascriptos subscribi publicari et auctenticari ac in formam publicam redigi mandauimus, et eisdem Sigilla nostra apposuimus. Data et acta sunt hec prout supra scribuntur et per nos recitantur In ecclesia Cathedrali Sarum, Anno domini ab incarnacione eiusdem secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane

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Millesimo Quadringentesimo vicesimo tercio, Indictione secunda,

Datum.

Pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Martini diuina prouidencia pape Quinti supradicti Anno septimo, mensis Ianuarii die decimo octauo, et ceteris per nos continuatis diebus extunc sequentibus vsque ad duodecimum diem mensis Maii Anno domini Millesemo Quadringentesimo vicesimoquarto, quibus mense die et anno dictum negocium nobis commissum quatenus ad nos pertinebat fuerat expeditum. Presentibus in omnibus et singulis actis nostris supradictis discretis viris Magistro Willelmo de Dunham Notario publico, dominis Patro Fader et Edwardo Foghell in choro ecclesie Sarum predicte vicariis, Lincolniensis Bathoniensis et Wyntoniensis dioceseum, testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et requisitis.

Subscripcio notarii.

Et ego Willelmus Hardyng clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos publicus auctoritate apostolica Notarius, ac Religiosorum virorum Abbatis et Prioris Subdelegatorum seu commissariorum predictorum in huiusmodi eisdem commisso negocio coram eis Scriba, premissis decretis Inquisicionibus scrutiniis collacionibus

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processuum et testium examinacionibus informacionibus ac ceteris omnibus et singulis dum sic vt premittitur et in dictis literis certificatoriis et in presenti transsumpto eisdem annexo suprascribuntur et recitantur ac per eosdem subdelegatos et coram eis agebantur et fiebant sub annis domini Indictione Pontificatu mensibus diebus et loco antedictis, vnacum prefato magistro Iohanne Draper notario publico et testibus superius nominatis, presens interfui, eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui, ac manu mea propria scripsi, et de mandato dictorum dominorum subdelegatorum publicaui, et in hanc publicam formam redegi,

signoque et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensionibus sigillorum dictorum dominorum subdelegatorum signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

Et ego Iohannes Draper clericus Saresbiriensis dioceseos publicus auctoritate apostolica notarius, ac religiosorum virorum Abbatis et Prioris subdelegatorum seu commissariorum predictorum in huiusmodi eisdem commisso negocio coram eis scriba, premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic vt premittitur in dictis literis certificatoriis et in presenti transsumpto suprascribuntur et recitantur ac per eosdem Subdelegatos et coram eis agebantur et fiebant sub annis domini Indictione pontificatu mensibus diebus et loco antedictis vnacum prefato magistro Willelmo Hardyng notario publico et testibus superius nominatis presens interfui, eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui, ac per dictum magistrum Willelmum Hardyng notarium publicum scripta de mandato dictorum dominorum Subdelegatorum publicaui, et in hanc publicam formam redegi, manuque mea propria hic me subscripsi, ac signo et nomine meis consuetis vnacum appensionibus sigillorum dictorum dominorum subdelegatorum signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium premissorum.

Alia subscripcio notarii.

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Die lune decima octaua supradicti mensis Decembris Comparuit in Iudicio coram dominis Cardinalibus et Commissariis prefatis Rome apud sanctos apostolos in Camera paramenti palacii apostolici, hora terciarum vel quasi consueta pro tribunali sedentibus, Magister Iohannes de Scribanis procurator predictus procuratorio nomine quo supra, et quandam citacionem pergameni cedulam alias de mandato eorumdem dominorum Cardinalium et Commissariorum emanatam et de ipsorum voluntate et mandato in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum domini nostri pape positam atque lectam Signoque ipsius audiencie ab intra ac sigillo ad huiusmodi citaciones sigillandas specialiter deputato a tergo vt moris est signatam et sigillatam aliasque inibi debite executam facto realiter et in scriptis infrascripti tenoris exhibuit atque produxit. Citatorumque in eadem descriptorum non comparencium, neque quidquam verbo vel in scriptis contra certa Iura et munimenta et presertim contra quemdam rotulum pro parte dictorum reuerendi patris domini episcopi ac venerabilium virorum decani et capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis iudicialiter

Johannes de Scribanis procurator dedit citacionem audiencie facto et in contumaciam citatorum vel dicencium contra rotulum neque videncium publicari dicta testium obiecit eadem dicta testium publicari ac citacionem ad dicendum contra personas et dicta testium ad iuridicam diem per audienciam contradictarum.

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producta et productum et contenta in rotulo eodem dicere siue excipere neque eciam dicta siue attestaciones testium prout in dicto rotulo continetur in causa huiusmodi examinatorum publicari videre aut aliquam causam rationabilem quare hoc fieri non deberet allegare curancium, contumaciam accusauit, ipsosque contumaces reputari. Et in eorum contumaciam dicta siue attestaciones testium huiusmodi publicari per dominos Cardinales et Commissarios prefatos petiit instanter. Et tunc memorati domini Cardinales et Commissarii citatos predictos in dicta citacionis cedula descriptos non comparentes, licet sufficienter expectatos, reputarunt, merito prout erat, contumaces. Et in eorum contumaciam ad dicti magistri Iohannis de Scribanis
lxxiii *b* procuratoris instanciam dicta siue attestaciones testium huiusmodi publicarunt, ac habuerunt et habere voluerunt eadem pro publicatis. Quibus sic peractis statim et incontinenti idem magister Iohannes de Scribanis procurator quo supra nomine citatos predictos in pretacta citacionis cedula descriptos vlterius citari mandare ad dicendum et excipiendum quicquid verbo vel in scriptis contra personas et dicta testium huiusmodi dicere siue excipere voluerunt per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum predictam ad aliquem certum peremptorium terminum competentem per dominos Cardinales et Commissarios antedictos petiit instanter. Quam quidem citacionem iidem domini Cardinales et Commissarii prefato magistro Iohanni de Scribanis procuratori quo supra nomine instanti et petenti decreuerunt et concesserunt, eamque prout petita extiterant ad primam diem Iuridicam proxime futuram qua eosdem dominos Cardinales et Commissarios Rome apud sanctos apostolos in Camera paramenti predicta mane hora terciarum consueta pro tribunali sedere contigerit per audienciam publicam literarum contradictarum predictam peremptorie fieri voluerunt et mandarunt. Presentibus ibidem venerabilibus viris dominis Abbate beate marie Vallepontis Perusini dioceseos Bernardo de Casanoua presbitero Aquense testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

lxxiiii Tenor vero dicte citacionis audiencie pergameni cedule vnde supra fit mencio sequitur et est talis.

Citacio audiencie ad dicendum contra rotulum et ad videndum publicari dicta

Mandant Reuerendissimi patres domini Gabriel Senensis Petrus de fuxo presbiteri et Lucidus de Comite dyaconus sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales, Iudices et Commissarii super infrascriptis a

domino nostro domino Martino papa Quinto specialiter deputati, citati peremptorie in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum dicti domini nostri pape, vt moris est, et citant omnes et singulos sua communiter vel diuisim interesse putantes et eorum procuratores, siqui sint in curia Romana pro eisdem, Quatenus prima die Iuridica proxima futura qua eosdem dominos Commissarios ad Iura reddendum in ecclesia sanctorum apostolorum immediate post consistorium domini nostri pape pro tribunali sedere contigerit, compareant in Iudicio legitime coram eis ad dicendum et opponendum quicquid dicere aut opponere voluerint, verbotenus aut in scriptis, contra nonnulla Iura et munimenta, et maxime contra quemdam Rotulum proparte Reuerendi patris domini Episcopi ac venerabilium virorum dominorum decani et capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis Iudicialiter producta et productum et contenta in eodem, ac videndum et audiendum dicta siue attestaciones testium, prout in dicto Rotulo continetur, in causa canonisacionis bone memorie domini Osmundi olim Episcopi Saresbiriensis examinatorum publicari vel dicendum, et causam siquam haberent racionabilem allegandam quare dicta et attestaciones huiusmodi publicari non deberent in dicta causa que vertitur coram ipsis dominis commissariis inter dictos citatos ex vna parte et Reuerendum patrem dominum Episcopum ac Decanum et Capitulum ecclesie Saresbiriensis de et super canonisacione predicta et ipsius occasione parte ex altera, Alioquin ad publicacionem dictorum testium, et alias prout Iuris fuerit procedetur, dictorum citatorum absencia seu contumacia in aliquo non obstante. Datum Rome die Sextadecima mensis Decembris Pontificatus domini nostri domini Martini pape Quinti Anno octauo.

testium per Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem producta.

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Data [*16 Decr. 1424.*]

Die Mercurii vicesima supradicti mensis Decembris Comparuit in Iudicio coram dominis Cardinalibus et Commissariis prefatis Rome apud Sanctos apostolos in Camera paramenti palacii apostolici hora terciarum vel quasi consueta pro tribunali sedentibus, Magister Iohannes de Scribanis procurator predictus procuratorio nomine quo supra, et quamdam citacionem audiencie pergameni cedulam alias de mandato eorumdem dominorum Cardinalium et Commissariorum emanatam, et de ipsorum voluntate et mandato in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum domini nostri pape positam atque lectam. Signoque ipsius audiencie ab intra necnon sigillo ad huiusmodi citaciones

Comparuit Iohannes de Scribanis procurator et dedit citacionem audiencie facto et in contumaciam citatorum nichil dicencium contra testes et eorum dicta dedit peticionem facto.

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sigillandas specialiter deputato ab extra vt moris est signatam atque sigillatam, aliasque inibi debite executam facto realiter et in scriptis infrascripti tenoris exhibuit atque produxit, Citatorumque in eadem descriptorum non comparencium neque quicquam verbo vel in scriptis contra personas ac dicta siue attestaciones testium predictorum in causa Canonisacionis bone memorie domini Osmundi olim Episcopi Saresbiriensis in quodam Rotulo alias coram dictis dominis Cardinalibus et Commissariis in causa huiusmodi producto contentis dicere siue excipere curancium, contumaciam accusauit, Ipsosque contumaces reputari per dominos Cardinales et Commissarios prefatos debita cum instancia postulauit. Et in eorum contumaciam quamdam peticionem papiri cedulam facto realiter et in scriptis exhibuit atque produxit, dicens petens et alias faciens prout et quemadmodum in eadem cedula, cuius tenor inferius est insertus, plenius continetur et habetur. Et tunc memorati domini Cardinales et Commissarii dictos citatos non comparentes licet sufficienter expectatos reputarunt merito prout erant contumaces.

lxxv *b* Tenores vero dictarum citacionum audiencie pergameni necnon peticionis papiri cedularum de quibus fit mencio sequuntur et sunt tales.

Citacio audiencie ad discendum contra personas testium et eorum dicta per Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem producta.

Mandant Reuerendissimi patres domini Gabriel Senensis et Petrus de fuxo presbiteri ac Lucidus de Comite dyaconus Sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales, Iudices et Commissarii super infra scriptis a domino nostro papa Martino Quinto specialiter deputati, citari peremptorie in audiencia publica literarum contradictarum domini nostri pape, vt moris est, et citant omnes et singulos sua communiter vel diuisim interesse putantes et eorum procuratores, siqui sint in curia Romana pro eisdem, Quatenus prima die Iuridica proxime futura qua eosdem dominos Commissarios Ad Iura reddendum in ecclesia sanctorum apostolorum immediate post consistorium domini nostri pape pro tribunali sedere contigerit, compareant in Iudicio legitime coram eis Ad dicendum et opponendum quicquid verbotenus aut in scriptis dicere siue opponere voluerint contra personas dicta siue attestaciones testium productorum in causa canonisacionis bone memorie domini Osmundi olim Episcopi Saresbiriensis contentos in quodam Rotulo coram dictis dominis Commissariis producto in

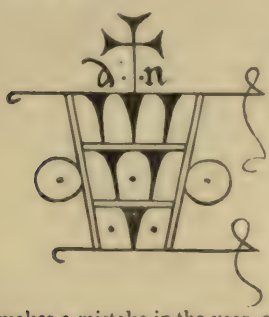
dicta causa que vertitur coram ipsis inter prefatos citatos ex vna et Reuerendum patrem dominum Episcopum ac honorabiles viros dominos decanum et Capitulum ecclesie Saresbiriensis partibus ex altera, Alioquin in dicta causa prout Iuris fuerit precedetur dictorum citatorum absencia seu contumacia in aliquo non obstantibus. Datum Rome die decimanoua mensis Decembris Pontificatus dicti domini nostri Martini pape quinti Anno euis octauo. lxxvi

[*19 Decr. 1424.*] viz. Anno Domini 1425 verum Osmundus Canonizatus fuit 1456 Anno secundo Calisti 2di Pontificis Romani."

Petit Iohannes de Scribanis de Placencia procurator in Curia Romana ac procurator et procuratorio nomine Reuerendi patris domini Episcopi ac venerabilium virorum dominorum decani et Capituli ecclesie Saresbiriensis, per vos Reuerendissimos in Christo patres dominos Gabrielem† Senensem Petrum de fuxo presbiteros et Lucidum de Comite dyaconum sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales, Iudices et Commissarios per sanctissimum in Christo patrem et dominum nostrum dominum Martinum diuina prudencia papam Quintum super infrascripta canonisacione specialiter deputatos, videri inspici et examinari bene et diligenter processum de et super canonisacione bone memorie domini Osmundi olim Eposcopi Saresbiriensis in partibus factum et receptum, et de partibus ad curiam portatum, et coram viris Reuerendissimis paternitatibus Iudicialiter presentatum, et contenta in eo, ad finem et effectum vt, postquam videritis et examinaueritis, valeatis et possitis ac debeatis referre suprascripto domino nostro pape, Ad finem quod, habita et facta relacione vestra super predictis, Idem dominus noster papa valeat et possit eundem dominum Osmundum Episcopum Canonisare, ac cathalogo sanctorum ascribi mandare vt est moris. Et predicta petit et supplicat instanter et instantissime quantum fieri potest et debet. lxvxi

Petitio data per Iohannem de Scribanis procuratorem.

† [*Interlined*] iste fuit postea papa Eugenius dictus.



Ego Antonius domini Iohannis de strata de papia, publicus apostolica et Imperiali auctoritate notarius atque prefatorum dominorum G. Senensis P. de fuxo et Lucidi de Comite Cardinalium et Commissariorum, vna cum circumspectis viris magistris Euerardo Euerardi de Osterberch et Menaldo de

* [This note is in the hand of Seth Ward, who makes a mistake in the year, as Martin V began his reign in November, 1417.]

Castellario, huiusmodi coram eis scribis et notariis quia premissis omnibus in septuaginta sex foleis per alios duos fideles, me alijs propedito negocijs, introscriptis dum sic ut premittitur agerentur et fierent coram eisdem dominis cardinalibus et Commissariis vna cum dictis Euerardo et Menaldo notarijs atque testibus suprascriptis presens interfui, eaque omnia et singula sic uidi et audiui. Ideo me hic subscripsi et signo meo solito et consueto consignaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem premissorum.

PART II

LITERE MISSE, PLENARIE TAXACIONES PREBENDARUM, ET CETERA NEGOCIA PRO CANONIZACIONE SANCTI OSMUNDI

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[30 *August* 1456: *Letter from Pope Calistus III. to Richard Beauchamp, Bishop of Salisbury.*]

[a] CALISTUS. pp. iii i

Venerabilis frater Salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Literas tue fraternitatis accepimus ex quibus intelleximus singularem tuum affectum quem habes circa factum Canonizacionis Venerabilis Osmundi, et quod pro ea re decreueris ad nos et sedem apostolicam tuos oratores mittere: quod etiam per suas nobis literas significauit dilectus filius Vincencius clementis Canonicus Valentini Camere nostre apostolice in Regno ipso collector, ob quod tuam deuocionem in domino plurimum commendamus. Et quoniam uereri uideris an nobis huiusmodi uoluntas tua placere debeat, tue fraternitali respondemus quod cum negocium magnum et diuinum sit causam non uidemus cur tale quid suspiceris, cum grandia negocia gerere et prosequi deceat per uiros graues sciencia et rerum experiencia preditos. Et ita tua fraternitas, que ut fidedignorum testimonio audiuimus et prudens et timorata existit, faciat prout sibi uidebitur nec arbitretur nos cupere ut negocium predictum magis per unos quam per alios prosequatur. Non enim dubitamus quin id quod decet facias secundum eam quam ad dictum venerabilem Osmundum diceris habere deuocionem. Et utinam carissimus in Christo filius Anglie Rex illustris non ita distulisset suos mittere ambaxiatores, uti ceteri Reges et principes miserunt, ad prestandum reuerenciam et obedienciam nobis unico vero et

[a] Alphonso Borgia, Archbishop of Valentia. He was created a Cardinal (tt S.S. Quatuor Coronatorum) by Eugenius IV. in 1444 "ob rem bene in Germania contra Concilium Basiliense Gestam." He was of great help to the representatives of the Dean and Chapter of Salisbury at Rome in their efforts to obtain the sentence of Canonization of S. Osmund, and himself completed the Canonization upon being elected Pope. He is frequently referred to in the letters and documents that follow as Cardinal Valentin.

indubito, et si immerito Ihesu Christi saluatoris nostri vicario et apostolice sedi; non quod aliquid pluris conferat auctoritati nostre sed ad gloriam dei et laudabile testimonium ipsius Regis et Regni quem semper dileximus et direximus in agendis. Datum Rome apud Sanctam Mariam Maiorem sub annulo piscatoris die xxx Augusti M CCCCL VI° pontificatus nostri Anno Secundo.

N. Ferrarii.

[*Endorsed*]

i *b* Venerabili fratri Episcopo Sarisberiensi.

[1 *July* 1452. *Letter from Nicholas Upton and Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

ii Litere directe . . . . . Ricardo B. Sarum Episcopo[a] de Curia Romana per magistros Nicholaum Upton[b] et Symonem Howchens[c] concernentes canonizacionem beati Osmundi quas dictus Reuerendus in Christo pater misit decano et Capitulo Sarum ad deliberandum super eisdem.

Reuerende pater, debitas post recommendaciones, Noscat paternitas vestra, quod, xxvii^mo^ Iunii proximo post recessum a dominacione vestra, vrbem romanam intrauimus ante nonam, et sic post nonam eiusdem diei accessimus ad Reuerendissimi patris domini Tarentini[d] presentiam, et literas vestras sibi presentauimus;

[a] Richard Beauchamp, brother of Lord St. Amand. He was Archdeacon of Suffolk, was consecrated Bp. of Hereford 9th Feb., 1448-9, and was translated to Salisbury in 1450. He was the first Chancellor of the Order of the Garter 1475, was installed Dean of Windsor 4th of March, 1447-8, and died 4th of Nov., 1481, and was buried in the chapel erected by himself on the S. side of the Lady Chapel in Salisbury Cathedral. This chapel was destroyed by Wyatt, and his tomb removed to the bench on the S. side of the nave almost opposite to the N. door of the Cathedral. In Hakewell's History of Windsor, p. 137, it is stated that he was buried there, but this is a mistake.

[b] See Introduction.

[c] Preb: of Ruscomb 1454. He was Chapter Clerk 1440-44. He was recommended by Bp. Beauchamp to the Dean and Chapter as Custos of the "Collegium de Valle" upon the death of John Symondesburgh in 1454, *vide* letter of 9 Dec. 1454.

[d] Marinus de Ursinis, Archbishop of Tarentum and Papal Nuncio to England. On the 16th of Oct., 1451, Bishop Beauchamp wrote a letter to the Dean and Chapter (Burgh Reg: p. 83) informing them that the Arch-

quas ad tunc perlegere non poterat quia ad dominum nostrum sanctissimum erat iturus quia hora signature erat, et sic crastinum diem sequentem nobis assignauit coram eo ad comparendum. Quo die comparuimus, et, communicacione per dictum Reuerendissimum patrem et Nos habita, promisit se omnimodam diligenciam in negocio nostro sancto fideliter acturum, petendo a nobis si literas regias ac aliorum procuratoria habuissemus. Cui respondebamus quod non, quia ad manus mercatorum litere nondum venerunt. Et in continenti de mandato prefati Reuerendissimi patris, accessimus ad presentiam magistri Willelmi Gray[a] literas vestras sibi liberando. Quibus perlectis, fatebatur se filium et con-

bishop had visited him and had told him what great influence he had with the Pope and Cardinals, and that he had offered his assistance in the Canonization of S. Osmund. At the same time the Bishop urged the Dean and Chapter to press the matter on under what appeared to be such favourable auspices, more particularly as Andrew Holes, the Chancellor, was Keeper of the Privy Seal (dominus privati sigilli). It was no doubt with the view of securing the Archbishop's support that Bishop Beauchamp the next month (8th of Nov. 1451) appointed him Archdeacon of Wilts. In the end it appears that the Archbishop gave little or no real help, and at last had to leave Rome in disgrace before the Canonization was effected. The reply of the Chapter to the Bishop's letter (Burgh Reg. ut supr :) shows that they did not expect so much from the Archbishop's help as the Bishop did, and relied more upon themselves. They propose a regular taxation of prebends, which was carried out, as appears from the accounts which are given later. They remind the Bishop of how many times they had been deceived by offers of help. "Quid autem," they write, "conferret suus aduentus Sarum ad dicti Osmundi canonizacionem non "videmus, nisi quod testificari posset se vidisse plures figuras virorum "mulierum et animalium cereas ibi oblatas, pulcram ecclesiam et bene "officiatam, sicut magister Robertus de Caualcantibus, sacri palacii Apostolici "tunc Auditor et nuncius Apostolicus postea Episcopus Vulteranus hic "honorabiliter receptus vidit, et de multis per eum policitis nil impleuit. "Maxime summe per desidiam et negligenciam, ne dicamus fraudem seu "malam directionem, ipsarum personarum que ad diuersas vices in se sus-"ceperunt laborem et onus expediendi in curia canonizacionem huiusmodi "superioribus annis, consumpte sunt."

[a] He was a member of the family of Lord Grey of Codnor; he was educated at Balliol Coll: Oxf: and became D.D. and Chancellor of the University. He was Preb: of Kentish Town in S. Paul's Cath: 1431; Archdn: of Northampton and Preb: of Thame in Lincoln Cath: 1434; Preb: of Longdon in Lincoln Cath: 1443; Preb: of Barnby in York Cath: c 1447; Archdeacon of Richmond 1450; Preb: of Driffield in York Cath: 1452; and in 1454 became Bp: of Ely on the nomination of Pope Nicholas V. He held many political appointments, and in 1469 was made Lord High Treasurer. He died in 1478, and was buried on the north side of Ely Cath: between two marble pillars. Much of his earlier life was spent out of England, and he was proctor for King Henry VIth at the Court of Rome, where he was also apostolic notary and referendary. His learning was great, and no doubt recommended him to Pope Nicholas V., like whom he was a great collector of MSS., many of which he gave to Balliol College, where 152 of them are still to be found.

fratrem[a] Ecclesie vestre Sarum, quare ad tunc promisit se omnia sibi possibilia facturum. Verum tamen, quantum ad munimenta et cetera dictum negocium concernencia, et cum Guillelmo de Estulo dimissa, multum dubitauit. Sed post multa, circa recuperacionem eorumdem se diligenciam exactissimam prestare promisit, et sic ab eo ambiguum recepimus responsum. Quare prouideat paternitas vestra quid in hoc negocio agendum sit. Et de post vltimo Iunii accessimus ad bancum, vbi Ego Symon literas vestras vi^to^ Iunii scriptas Recepi, quibus per me perlectis, de consensu college mee, ad dominum Tarentinum accessi, vestram paternitatem sibi commendando, et literas vestras sibi monstrando, quibus per ipsum perlectis asseruit et dixit quod nouit de illa materia quia copiam bulle habuit, et seriem tocius negocii in Ciuitate Cantuariensi recepit. Et de post, clausula subscripta per ipsum perlecta, dixit quod regis intencionis erat quod in toto esset Saresbiriensis. Ad quod respondebam quod non dubitaret quin sic esset si negocium vestrum sanctum expediret. Et eodem tempore copiam instructionis nostre liberaui paternitati sue. Insuper eodem tempore inde retulit quomodo allocutus est Magistrum Willelmum Gray pro munimentis prefatis optinendis, qui sibi tale dedit, vt inde asseruit, responsum quod valde difficilius erat ad obtinendum, quare, nisi habuerimus auctoritatem de magistro Ricardo Cauerton, ac indenturas, verisimile erat quod non ad ea veniemus. Et sic propter defectum procuratoriorum ceterarumque literarum que ante . . . . presencium ad vrbem non venerunt, stamus totaliter ociosi nec de aduentu eorumdem aliquid audiuimus. Quam ob rem videat paternitas vestra quod maior diligencia in literis transmittendis sit adhibita. Non plura quia noua in curia non habentur nisi de morte Archiepiscopi Cantuariensis[b] et de

[a] This refers to a practice at Salisbury (and at other Cathedrals) of admitting eminent persons and benefactors of the Church "in fratrem" or "in sororem"; by virtue of which admission the person admitted became a participator in the benefits of the masses, prayers, etc., offered in the Cathedral. The form and service of admission are preserved in a MS. Collection at Salisbury called "Miscellanea Et Statuta Quod Sarum," and are printed in the Appendix III.

[b] John Stafford, Archdeacon of Sarum 1419, Chancellor of Salisbury 1421, Preb: of Highworth 1422, Dean of Wells 1423, Bishop of Bath and Wells 1425, Archbishop of Canterbury 1443. He died 25th May, 1452, and was succeeded by John Kemp, Archbishop of York. William Booth, Bishop of Lichfield, was translated to York; Nicholas Close, Bishop of Carlisle, to Lichfield; and William Percy was made Bishop of Carlisle.

translacione aliorum Episcoporum super idem curtisani multum letantur quia Sperant se pecunias recepturos. Et vos conseruet in prosperis Altissimi filius, a Roma primo Iulii.

. . . . . Christo patri et domino domino [dei] gracia Sarum Episcopo in Anglia	Subscriptio, Vestri Nicholaus et Symon in romana curia existentes

[16 *July* 1452. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

. . . . . post recommendaciones, Nouerit paternitas vestra quomodo Registrum continens precessum beati Osmundi . . . is doctorum de Reuerendissimo domino cardinali Firmano per magnos et assiduos labores Magistri W . . . . die mensis Iulii in habitacione sua recepimus. Sic, quia prefatis Registro et munimentis per nos . . . . dominum Tarentinum admissis, literas regias ceterasque literas priuatas secundo Iulii in crepusculo per . . . . ceptas, quarum copie nobis eciam transmittebantur omnes et singule, copia litere Capituli dumtaxat excepta, liberando qui nobiscum literarum aduentu congratulabatur. Qui nobis promisit vt pro dictarum literarum presentacione domino nostro sanctissimo ad tempus captandum laboraret efficaciter. Deinde octauo Iulii, laboribus ingentissimis . . . . . Tarentini et Gray, ad Sanctitatem domini nostri pape[a] accessimus, vbi in presencia eorum literas domini Episcopi Sarum dominus precentor primitus liberauit. Quibus non plene per dominum nostrum Sanctissimum perlectis, Subridendo dixit quod non solebat tale negocium admissum alicuius principis statim . . . . . ire cum sit vnum de maximis in ecclesia, recitando nobis totum processum factum in canonizacione Sancti Bernardini[b]

[a]Nicholas V., Thomas de Sarzana Cardinal Bishop of Bologna, elected Pope 6th of March, 1447, died 24th March, 1455. He was a friend of Cosmo de' Medici and was a very learned man. He was a great collector of ancient MSS., and when he could not obtain the originals had copies of them made and thus preserved many works which would otherwise have perished. Gibbon says that in eight years he formed a library of five thousand volumes.

[b]St. Bernadin of Siena a member of the noble family of the Albizeschi. A Franciscan and Vicar General of his order in Italy. He died 20th of May, 1440, and was canonized in 1450 by Pope Nicholas V. (Encyc. Brit.)

credendo quod eramus in principio negocii nostri. Ad quod respondebatur quod prefatum negocium erat inceptum in tempore Gregorii, et persecutum in tempore Martini vsque ad sentenciam, prout appertissime apparet per Registra inde confecta. Vnde ad statim petiit quare prefatus Martinus finem predicto negocio non imposuisset. Ad quod respondebatur, quod Superuenit mors prefati Martini et impediuit omnia. Deinde informatus erat dominus noster Sanctissimus quo modo iterum nostrum negocium, tempore Eugenii Florencie existentis, erat motum per dominum Andream Holes[a] Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum Cancellarii, et ad instanciam suam commissum certis cardinalibus, videlicet Tiraconensi[b] Andegauensi[c] et Firmano[d]. Qui statim petiit quare prefatus Eugenius dictum negocium non perimpleuit,

[a] Andrew Holes held many preferments. In York Cathedral he held the Prebend of Grindall 1431, Osbaldwick c. 1436, Stillington 1443, and he became Archdeacon of the W. Riding 1442. He was Prebendary of Flixton in Lichfield Cathedral 1435, of Hunderton in Hereford Cathedral 1442. He became Archdeacon of Taunton 1445, and of Wells 1450. He, or some one of the same name, is mentioned as Archdeacon of Anglesey in 1427 and 1445. In 1438 he became Chancellor of Salisbury Cathedral, with the Prebend of Bricklesworth attached. He lived in the house in the Close of Salisbury called Ledenhall, and died there April 1st, 1470. He was buried in Salisbury Cathedral, in the Chapel of S. Mary Magdalene (Machon Reg : p. 36), which was in the northern bay of the S.E. transept. His epitaph is preserved in the Machon Register, p. 238. The epitaph is given as follows, and seems to imply that there was a brass over his grave :—

Sub pede effigei
"Quamvis putrescam dando me vermibus escam
"Rursus carne meum credo videre deum"
Ad et circa ymaginem.
"Hic iacet corpus magistri Andree Holes decretorum doctor quondam
"Cancellarii et Residentiarii ecclesie Sarum Archidiaconique Eboracensis
"et Wellensis qui per annos plures procuratoris Regis Anglie in Romana
"curia fungebatur officio et post suum a dicta curia in Angliam reditum
"ad custodiam privati sigilli Regii assumptus post exercitium illius officii
"quasi per triennium in residenciam in dicta ecclesia prius tacta reversus
"est qui obiit die primo mensis Aprilis Anno domini Millesimo CCCC^mo
"LXX^mo cuius anima in pace requiescat Amen."

Andrew Holes was a Wykehamist, and there is a portrait of him in the MS. Life of William of Wykeham preserved at New College (*vide* Leach's History of Winchester College, p. 217).

[b] Dominicus Raymundus Bp : of Lerida, afterwards Archbp : of Tarragona, created Card : presb : (tt S. Xysti) by Pope Martin V. in 1426, but creation not published. Published by Pope Eugenius IV. 1431, Card : presb : (tt SS. Joannis et Pauli).

[c] Guillelmus d'Estouteville, Bp : of Angers, afterwards Achbp : of Rouen, created Card : presb : (tt S. Martini in montibus) by Pope Eugenius IV. in 1439.

[d] Dominicus Capranicus, Bp. of Fermo, created Card : diac : (tt S. Marie in Via Lata) by Pope Martin V. in 1426, but creation not published until 1431 by Pope Eugenius IV.

Cui respondebatur quod dominus Adam[a] ad tunc decanus Saresbiriensis, habens sufficientem potestatem et ob illam causam ad curiam transmissus, et onus dictum negocium promouendi in se suscipiens, nullum verbum locutus est, prout prefatus Eugenius dicto domino Andree et aliis dixit, et sic prefatus dominus Andreas dictum negocium prosequi non poterat propter defectum procuratorii. Deinde, post multas communicaciones, dominus noster Sanctissimus omnes literas in pyxide reposuit, et eas in nocte perlegere se promisit. Et insuper dixit se communicaturum fore cum Reuerendissimis confratribus suis cardinalibus, et communicacione cum eis habita in prefato negocio promisit se nobis dare responsum. Et scribat dominacio vestra vna cum capitulo Magistro Willelmo Gray suis pro laboribus literas regratiatorias, ipsum etiam supplicando quod in nostris agendis semper assistat et dirigat ac etiam Magistro Thome Candouer, qui nobiscum est commensalis, et continuo nobis assistit dirigendo et consulendo nos in omnibus nostris agendis. Et omnino prouideat paternitas vestra quod dominus Andreas Holes scribat domino nostro Sanctissimo pro negocio nostro Sanctitatem suam informando, quia dominus noster Sanctissimus a domino Tarentino et Gray valde cordialiter petiit quomodo erat secum et adhibet magnam fidem dictis suis. Preterea prouideat paternitas vestra quod solutum sit bancario pro portagio literarum, quia dominus Cantor soluit viii ducatos pro portagio pyxidis in qua litere Regis Regine atque Cardinalis,[b] vna cum procuratorio, erant incluse. Et bene nouistis quod neuter nostrum habeat ii *b*

[a] Adam de Moleyns or Molyneux, Keeper of the Privy Seal, Dean of Salisbury and Bishop of Chichester, was the second son of Sir Richard Molyneux, of Sefton, Lancashire. He was Rector of Winterbourne Earls, Wilts, in 1432, Archdeacon of Taunton, Prebendary of Wildland in S. Paul's Cathedral and of Bishopston in Salisbury Cathedral 1440, living in the house in the Close called Ledenhall. In 1441 he exhibited articles before the Commissioners for the trial of the Duchess of Gloucester, and in the same year he was made Dean of Salisbury. In 1442 he was sent to Rome to treat with Pope Eugenius IV., and was also commissioned to urge upon the Pope the Canonization of S. Osmund, but seems to have done nothing in the matter (see text). In 1444 he was ambassador to France, and in 1445 was consecrated Bp : of Chichester. In 1446, '47, and '48 he was again sent on embassies to France. He was regarded as largely responsible for the surrender of Maine, and became accordingly the object of popular hatred. In 1449 he received the King's licence to go on pilgrimage beyond sea ; he went to Portsmouth, where a force was assembled for the relief of Normandy, there he was accused by the sailors of docking their wages, and a cry being raised that he was a traitor and had sold Normandy to the French, they fell upon and killed him on the 9th of January, 1450.

[b] Cardinal Beaufort.

aliquas pecunias ad soluendum pro talibus. Et sciatis si deinceps litere venerunt, et non sit solutum pro eorum portagio, ibi iacebunt pro nobis, quia viuimus cum pecuniis nostris et nullus nobiscum reperitur qui vult accomodare nobis vnum ducatum, et si moreremur. Et, pater, vlterius communicauimus cum domino Tarentino pro pecuniis habendis si opus erat, qui dixit et promisit quod vellet alloqui bancarios. Verumtamen bancarii separatim nobiscum loquendo dixerunt, quod pecunias ad manus haberemus, et si mille vel duo milia ducatorum occupare vellemus, sed verum est pater quod vos soluetis pro omni nobile xx^ti, quod nimis graue est vt nobis videtur, ideo prouideat dominacio vestra. Et scribat iterum paternitas vestra domino Tarentino pro negocii nostri acceleracione, quia nobis videtur quod non multum attendit, non obstante quod in dies paternitatem suam visitamus, quia litere domino nostro sanctissimo liberate clause iacuerunt, et minime perlecte, per octo dies et vltra, quia hoc habuimus per mediacionem magistri T. Candouer ab vno qui cum domino nostro Sanctissimo est Secretissimus, cui dominus Cantor et ego diuersas propinas dedimus, qui nobis promisit quod papa literas nostras perlegeret, ac etiam vnam sedulam per nos conceptam pro domini nostri pape informacione, cuius copiam vobis transmittimus; et sic felicem finem deo duce habebimus qui vos conseruet in prosperis, a Roma xvi^to Iulii 1452.

Et sciat paternitas vestra, quod in capsa de Reuerendissimo patre Firmano per nos recepta continebantur munimenta sequencia, videlicet, vnus quaternus de pargameno in quo continebantur dicta xxiiii doctorum, subscriptionibus manuum suarum et sigillis signata. Et in eodem quaterno continebantur etiam dicta trium doctorum, scripta in papiro cum subscriptionibus manuum suarum. Item in eadem capsa erat alius quaternus de pargameno, in qua continebantur examinaciones testium ceteriquc processus. Qui quidem quaternus continebat in se septuaginta sex folia, prout patet in subscriptione Antonii domini de Papia notarii in dicto processu. Item vnus par[uus libel]lus, in quo continebantur certi Articuli. Item vnum procuratorium, in quo concedebantur . . . . Moleyns ad prosequendum dictum negocium, quando accessit ad [curia]m in tempore Eugenii, ... in qua iste euidencie continebantur

non erat sigillata, et . . . . communicetur cum domino Andrea . . . . si sint plura munimenta dictum negocium concernencia . . . . Sanctissimus . . . . euidencie sique supersint. Et, pater Reuerende, noscat [paternitas] vestra, quod . . . . transeundo ad curiam equum meum, die ac nocte custodiendo . . . cellando et dis . . . nullum iuuamen habendo, sicque modo in curia existens maiores ac grauiores . . . . iter ad palacium et redeundo tum propter calores nimias vltra modum hic ex . . . . [maxi]mos sustineo labores, sic sum quasi totaliter examinatus et destructus. Vnde . . . . negocium dimittere, et ad partes reuenire, nisi paternitas vestra voluerit disponere . . . . . tantas habeam expensas ad sustinendos equum et famulum. Et honor vester atque negocium . . . . sic habeam, quia nullus est curtizanus alicuius reputacionis qui [non] equum et famulum habeat, ... vltra posse meum est semper pedes transire, quia non possum . . . . tare et mallem negocium omittere quam nimiis cum laboribus meipsum interficere, ideo prouidear . . . . remedio cum omni festinitudine possibili, quia cum illis denariis de quibus erat conuentum in domo vestra capitulari non possum viuere, sustentando equum et famulum, et pro vestimentis secundum curiam romanam vsitatis, que sumptuosa sunt, oportet prouidere sumptibus ecclesie non meis, quia nemo stipendiis propriis tenetur militare. Plurimas alias expensas sustinui, quia duos equos per viam perdidi. De istis et aliis in necessariis prouideat paternitas vestra, quia confido in vobis. Sin autem reueniam infra breue teste deo et totum dimittam.

Duplicata est hec litera

[*Petition presented to the Pope by N. Upton and S. Huchyns in the name of the Bishop and Dean and Chapter of Salisbury.*]

Beatissime pater, Cum alias negocium canonizacionis beati 3
Osmundi, dudum Sarum Episcopi, de Anglia coram diuersis summis pontificibus fuerat sepius communicatum, et precipue in tempore felicis recordacionis Martini pape quinti, taliter in predicto secundum iuris indaginem, vsque ad sentenciam exoluere, fuerat processum, prout in registris satis autenticis inde confectis plenius continetur. Quod etiam dictum negocium per

xxvj doctores famosiores in Curia romana ad tunc residentes ad plene fuerat examinatum. Qui quidem doctores prefatum negocium manuum suarum subscriptionibus, et singulis eorum sigillis appositis, ex eorum certissima sciencia pro dicti Osmundi canonizatione fienda approbarunt. Et sic nichil amplius in prefato negocio defuit, nisi solomodo Sentencia et solempnitas temporis eiusdem requisita, que in prefati Martini tempore fuisset executa si diutius vixisset. Preterea Episcopus et Capitulum Sarisbiriensis quendam dominum Adam Moleyns, eiusdem ecclesie decanum, Regis Anglie oratorem ad curiam Romanam destinatum, coram felicis recordacionis Eugenio quarto tunc Florencie residenti, ad prefatum negocium prosequendum sufficienter ordinarunt. Qui nullum verbum in dicta causa locutus est, prout idem dominus Eugenius domino Andree Holes, Regis Anglie procuratori, et aliis expresse retulit. Demum prefatus Andreas, ne sic frustraretur negocium supradictum, cum ipse Andreas prefate ecclesie Sarum erat Cancellarius, penes dictum Eugenium pro finali expedicione eiusdem taliter instetit, quod ipse Eugenius dictum negocium Reuerendissimis in Christo patribus Tiraconensi Andegauensi et Firmano, sancte Romane ecclesie cardinalibus, commisit. Que causa ad tunc erat dimissa, pro eo quod dictus Andreas nullum procuratorium habuit ad vlterius prosequendum. Quare deuoti vestre sanctitatis oratores Episcopus decanus et Capitulum ecclesie Sarum predicte, considerantes magna et ingencia miracula que ibidem semper et continue, modernis diebus vt preteritis, ob merita dicti venerabilis Osmundi fuerint, Considerantes insuper continuum et instantissimum clamorem tocius populi pro canonizacione eiusdem, humiliter Supplicant, quatinus sanctitas vestra dignetur prefatum negocium aliquibus Reuerendissimis in Christo patribus Cardinalibus vestri sacri Collegii committere, vt ipsi resumant in eisdem terminis in quibus dimissum erat, vel committere ad partes dignioribus ibidem vestro Reuerendissimo domino Cardinali Anglie[a] et aliis Episcopis ibidem, prout placuerit vestre sanctitati ad finaliter dictum negocium perimplendum.

[a] Cardinal Beaufort.

[23 *August* 1452. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter of Salisbury to Nicholas Upton & Simon Huchyns.*]

Litere responsiue per decanum et Capitulum directe Magistro Nicholao Vpton precentori et Magistro Symoni Howchins procuratoribus eorum in Curia romana pro canonizacione etc.

Venerabiles viri, post optatam vtriusque vestrum salutem, Inspeximus et legimus duas quas de vrbe romana nuper scripsistis literas Reuerendo in Christo patri domino nostro Episcopo, vnam de primo de Iulii et aliam de xvi^to^ eiusdem mensis, per quarum secundam intelleximus vos libenter vos recepisse, secundo die dicti mensis, literas Regis Regine et aliorum dominorum, ac . . . vna cum procuratorio ac copiis singularum prefatarum literarum, excepta copia litere nostre quam cum hiis reci . . . . . preterea vos habuisse iij^clo^ die Julii a Reuerendissimo in Christo patre domino Cardinali Firmano scrip . . . . euidencias concernentes negocium vobis commissum, quas confrater noster Magister Andreas Holes, . . . Ecclesie Sarum, ante suum de romana curia recessum custodiendas tradidit, in quadam nigra capsa . . . . Ricardi Cauerton sub cedula inter eos desuper indentata. Cuius copiam, quantum ad dictas Scripturas . . . . . presentibus inclusam, vt per eam valeatis concipere si omnia descripta in eadem cedula rece [pissetis] . . . . vero ad portagium dictarum literarum etc miramur satis quod socii Lodovici de Strochiis Romana . . . . quentes, peterent pro portagio literarum huiusmodi missiuarum octo ducatos, presertim cum vos feceritis in . . . . cambium vestrum cum dicto Lodovico, et nos cum eodem cambia nostra de pecuniis ad curiam transmittendis facere proponimus. Non enim consueuerunt, sicut accepimus ab expertis viris, mercatores huiusmodi ab hominibus secum cambia facientibus pro delacione literarum missiuarum aliquid exigere. Circa quam rem, quoad literas in posterum ad curiam mittendas, sine onere vestro prouisionem debitam faciemus. Intelleximus bene communicacionem quam scribitis vos habuisse cum sancto domino nostro, post presentatas viii die Iulii beatitudini sue prefatas literas, ac copiam cedule per vos concepte, quam dedistis vni secretissimo familiari pape, promittenti se facturum quod sanctitas sua literas cedulamque prefatas pro meliori sua informacione

egeret. Cuius cedule tenor non parum nobis displicuit, cum aliqua contineat minus vera. Nam vbi in ea dicitur quod negocium canonizacionis etc per xxvi doctores famosiores in curia romana ad tunc residentes plene fuit examinatum, Illud non est verum, maior namque pars prefatorum doctorum non sequebatur dictam curiam, sed multi eorum residebant in diuersis generalibus studiis Ytalie, legentes tunc ordinarie in eisdem ad quos fuit missum pro consiliis et determinacionibus eorum in prefata materia habendis. Item disiunctiua posita in fine eiusdem cedule mala est, et desiderio nostro contraria, ibi videlicet quod sanctitas vestra dignetur prefatum negocium aliquibus Reuerendissimis in Christo patribus Cardinalibus vestri sacri Collegii committere, vt ipsi resumant predictum negocium in eisdem terminis in quibus dimissum erat, vel committere ad partes dignioribus ibidem etc. Nam intencio et voluntas nostra fuit, et est, vt dictum negocium committatur expediatur et finiatur in curia. Et quod non committatur ad partes aliquo modo, nisi extrema necessitas hoc exegerit, de mero mandato pape siue peticione vestra ; quo casu laborare debetis vt commissio fiat domino Episcopo Bathoniensi et Wellensi,[a] ac aliis personis nominatis in nono articulo instructionis vestre. Idcirco non presumatis aliquas peticiones aut commissiones de cetero porrigere in scriptis sancto domino nostro, nisi cum aduisamento et maturo concilio peritorum

[a] Thomas Bekynton (see Dict : of Nat : Biog :) Bp. of Bath and Wells and Keeper of the Privy Seal. He was educated at Winchester and New Coll : (fellow 1408). He resigned his fellowship in 1420, and entered the service of Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester. He held several benefices, and became Archdeacon of Buckingham in 1422 ; c 1423 he was made Dean of Arches, and in the same year was collated in succession to the prebends of Bilton and Worthill in York Cathedral. In 1439 he became Canon of Wells, and was also Master of the Hospital of S. Katharine by the Tower. In 1432, 1439, and 1442 he was employed on foreign embassies, and in 1443 he was nominated by the Pope to the see of Salisbury, which it was supposed Bp. Ayscough would vacate in order to be promoted to the See of Canterbury ; but as Bp. Ayscough declined the Archbishopric, John Stafford, Bishop of Bath and Wells, was raised to the Primacy, and Bekynton was consecrated Bishop of Bath and Wells on the 13th of Oct., 1443, in the old Collegiate Church of Eton. After his consecration he proceeded to the new Church, which was not yet half finished, and there, under a pavilion, celebrated his first mass in pontificals. Afterwards he gave a banquet on the ground floor of the new buildings of the College on the north side where the chambers had not yet been subdivided by partitions (Willis & Clark I. 391). He died at Wells on the 14th of January, 1465, and was buried in a tomb built by himself on the South side of the Choir of Wells Cathedral. He was a great builder, and his rebus, a flaming beacon and a tun or barrel, is to be seen carved at Wells, Winchester, and Lincoln College, Oxford. The correspondence of Bekynton is published in the Rolls series.

aduocatorum duorum per vos in dicto negocio salariandorum prius habito, iuxta octauum articulum dicte instructionis vestre, 3 *b*
quam, ne aliquis interueniat error, sepius legatis, singulos ipsius articulos, in quantum vobis possibile fuerit, obseruantes. Et nobis videtur quod illi aduocati qui solicitauerunt et procurauerunt canonizacionem sancti Bernardini[a], nuper factam, aptiores erunt prosecucioni negocii nostri. Experti namque certius operantur. Desideramus etiam quod de cetero literas per vos nobis mittendas Ambo manibus vestris propriis subscribatis, nam secunda litera, de qua supra fit mencio, nullam habuit subscriptionem, de quo valde mirabamur. Scribit nunc dictus confrater noster Magister Andreas pape, ac nos magistris Willelmo Gray et Thome Candouer, regraciatorias literas, vt optastis; presentetis illas, rescribentes nobis frequenter de successu negocii vobis commissi, in quo Altissimus vos dirigat, et ad partes votiue expeditos reducat. Ex Sarum die xxiii mensis Augusti 1452.

Decanus et Capitulum
Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum

[23 *August* 1452. *Letter from Andrew Holes to the Pope.*]

Sancto domino nostro pape.
Copia litere directe per Magistrum Andream
Holes Cancellarium Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum.

Beatissime pater, post deuota pedum oscula beatorum, Scripserunt nuper sanctitati vestre Illustrissimus dominus meus Rex, inclitaque Regina, et ceteri Maiores Regni Anglie prelati, necnon Episcopus Decanus et Capitulum Ecclesie vestre Sarum, pro recolende memorie Osmundi quondam dicte ecclesie Episcopi et eiusdem precipui fundatoris vestris Gracia et Auctoritate canonizacione, quas literas intellexi fuisse dudum vestre beatitudini presentatas per magistrum Nicholaum Vpton, precentorem dicte Ecclesie, et Collegam suum, ob eam Rem ad Romanam Curiam specialiter destinatos. Et licet auctoritas prefatorum scribentium talis ac tanta sit vt per se valeat et mouere sanctitatem vestram ad annuendum racionabilibus eorum desideriis absque literis et instanciis mediocrium personarum; Certorum

[a] Canonized 1450.

tamen amicorum meorum pulsatus sum precibus, Ego pusillus sanctitatis vestre orator, ad scribendum beatitudini vestre pro felici expedicione negocii memorati. Estimant enim literas meas ob eam quam cum sanctitatis vestre, dum in minoribus esset, de sue benignitatis clemencia, contraxi noticiam, in aliquo valituras. Nullo igitur presumptuoso spiritu, sed rogantium victus instanciis, scribo nunc vestre Apostolice celsitudini, humiliter supplicans quatinus ob causas in prefatis, et specialiter Episcopi decani et Capituli dicte Ecclesie iam vestre sanctitati presentatis literis expressas, dignetur eadem sanctitas expedicionem dicte canonizacionis habere graciose recommissam. Et altissimus vestram beatitudinem diu conseruet in prosperis ad felix regimen ecclesie sue sancte. Ex Sarum die xxiii Augusti 1452.

[6 *August* 1452. *Letter from Nicholas Upton and Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

Copia litere a curia Romana domino nostro Sarum Episcopo scripte.
Superscriptio, Reuerendo in Christi patri ac domino.
Domino Ricardo dei gracia Episcopo Sarum in A[nglia].
Subscriptio vestri Capellani N. Vpton et Symon Howchyns.

Reuerende pater, debitas post recommendaciones, Nouerit paternitas vestra quomodo alias . . . . . certa munimenta recepimus, verumtamen non habemus, nec inuenire possumus, commissionem quam . . . . . per Eugenium papam Florencie, ad instanciam Magistri A. Holes, Tiraconensi Andegauensi ac Firmano . . . . de et super canonizacione Osmundi, ideo paternitas vestra alloquatur prefato A. Holes vbi et cum quo siue quibus prefata commissio dimissa erat, Ad finem et effectum quod ad manus habere eandem possimus, quia nobis valde vtilis et necessaria esset, quia dominus noster sanctissimus multum attendit ad facta Eugenii, ideo etc. Preterea, pater Reuerende, scribatis domino Tarentino effectualiter quod ipse negocium vestrum acceleret, quia publica vox et fama in curia regnat quod prefatus dominus Tarentinus onus promouendi et procurandi negocium canonizacionis beati Ancelmi[a] in se suscepit,

[a] Canonized c. 1494.

in tantum quod hic est vnus monachus Christi Ecclesie Cantuariensis ad dictum negocium penes ipsum solicitandum, qui quidem monachus iiii^to^ Augusti diem suum clausit extremum. Et vltra quum presentauit literas Regis ceterasque literas, vt alias vobis scripsimus, domino nostro Sanctissimo, Sanctitas sua recitauit illi factum ad plene, in tantum quod recitauit totum tenorem illius commissionis Alexandri quam nobis misisti, et sic papa in dicto negocio plene informatur, ac etiam publica fama laborat apud nos quod prefatus dominus Tarentinus recepit a priore et conuentu Christi Ecclesie Cantuariensis CC marcas pro dicto negocio solicitando. Et sciatis pater quod x^mo^ die Iulii vltimo preterito accessimus ad presenciam dicti Tarentini, ipsum solicitando pro negocii sui acceleracione, qui nobis ad tunc dixit quod bonum esset expectare absenciam quorumdam Cardinalium, qui ad statim ad partes essent recessuri. Verumtamen penultimo eiusdem mensis post recessum dictorum Cardinalium iterum accessimus ad presenciam suam, ipsum mouendo de negocio nostro, qui ad tunc dixit, quod dominus noster Sanctissimus nichil in dicto negocio facere voluit quousque plures Cardinales ad curiam venissent, dicens quod nos oporteret habere patienciam 4
pro toto mense Augusti, et ideo quid in hac re faciendum sit prouideat paternitas vestra. Insuper de mandato prefati domini Tarentini accessimus ad dominum Andream de sancta Cruce, aduocatum consistorialem, et secundum in nostra instructione limitatum, pro quadam supplicacione de et super toto processu canonizacionis, cui etiam, de mandato prefati domini Tarentini, omnia acta et munimenta liberauimus ; qui quidem Andreas multum notabiliter supplicacionem concepit, verum tamen dictam supplicacionem neque acta et munimenta nostra nobis deliberare voluit quousque pro laboribus suis satisfactum fuerit. Quare ad prefatum dominum Tarentinum accessimus, ipsum supplicando quatinus pro prefati Andree laboribus satisfaceret, qui nobis asseruit quod dictus Andreas suus bonus amicus erat, ideo non curetis, et sic nullas pecunias ad redimendum munimenta et acta nostra a[d] p[otestatem] nostram recipere potuimus, et sic verisimile est quod ab ipso non vnum ducatum habebimus, nisi sub modo et forma sicut alias vobis scripsimus. Preterea, si negocii vestri expedicionem affectatis, pecunias in banco cum omni festinacione exponatis, quia quamdiu sonitus pecuniarum in curia cessat negociorum expediciones omnino cessant, vlterius pater-

nitati vestre notum facimus quod responsum a domino nostro Sanctissimo super negocio nostro, vt alias nobis promisit, adhuc non habemus, nec scimus quum habebimus, nisi aliam et meliorem directionem obtinere poterimus, quam nos omnipotens deus concedat, qui vos vestris in agendis semper custodiat et dirigat. A Roma vi^to^ Augusti 1452.

Vestri Capellani N. Vpton
et Symon Howchyns

[10 *August* 1452. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

Copia litere misse a curia Reuerendo in Christo patri domino Ricardo Sarum Episcopo per S. Howchins.
Superscriptio Reuerendo in Christo patri ac domino domino R. dei Gracia Sarum Episcopo in Anglia.

Reuerende pater, debitas post recommendaciones, alias vobis scripsimus ex vi^to^ Augusti literas ex quibus paternitas vestra concipere potest quod parum aut nil in vestro atque nostro sancto negocio facimus, et sic michi videtur quod diu erit antequam aliquid faciemus, quia quidem nostrum hic expectando tractant de pane lucrando per temporis diuturnitatem. Ego autem non sic, hinc est, pater Reuerende, quod Ego summe affecto vestri sancti negocii finem. Nouerit igitur paternitas vestra . . . . . mo predicto vi^to^ Augusti accessi ad mansionem domini Andree de sancta Cruce, querendo acta et munimenta [canon]izacionis beati Osmundi, pro cuius labore, in faciendo supplicacionem et in totum processum videndo atque conti . . . . . do, solui de bursa mea iiii^or^ ducatos, alias rehabere non potuimus. Verumtamen inter cetera communicaui cum dominacione . . . . . quomodo agendum esset, et an felicem finem haberemus in negocio nostro; qui inde respondebat, quod si negocium . . . . . icio quod nunquam Sanctitatem domini nostri pape attemptaremus, quia reddit se difficillimum in . . . . quia processum est cum tanta solempnitate prosecutionem negocii nostri omittere non deberemus . . . . . ad tunc quid esset faciendum pro eiusdem felici expedicione; qui dixit, quod literas Regis aliorum . . . . . [spiritu]alium et temporalium de et super continuacione miraculorum et populorum

concursum obtinere deberemus. Cui respondebam quod ita actum erat, et retuli sibi omnia que vestre paternitati alias scripsi ex data xvi Iulii, qui contentabatur ex factis illis; sed quia sepissime litere transmisse ad papam transeunt inter dormientes, consiluit me quod ad partes scriberem, vt alias literas Regis Regine Ceterorum dominorum spiritualium et temporalium in magna multitudine testificando de concursu populi et miraculorum in dies ostensione obtineremus, et precipue qui primo scripserunt facient mencionem de primis literis domino nostro sanctissimo alias transmissis. Et de post retuli dicto Andree quomodo populus communis ac alii magnates improperauerunt, ante hec tempora, vos decanum et capitulum vestrum precando quod ad canonizacionem prefati Osmundi non laboratis; et vlterius dixi sibi quod prefatus populus et magnates prefatum Osmundum de terra assumere et transferre volunt propria auctoritate, et sic ipsum pro sancto volunt venerari; qui inde dixit quod, si hoc esset insertum in literis dominorum, causaret papam se citius inclinare ad ipsum canonizandum, quia tale factum causaret partes nostras ad recedendum ab eius obediencia et de hoc multum timet papa. Et vlterius consuluit quod literas vniuersitatum, si fieri posset, obtineremus, que vt inde videtur de facili obtineri possunt, tum per mediacionem domini decani[a] qui

[a] Gilbert Keymer or Kymer (vide Dict : of Nat : Biog.), Dean of Salisbury and Chancellor of the University of Oxford. He graduated as M.A., LL.B., and M.D., and served the office of Proctor and was Principal of Hart Hall. While still a layman he was presented to the benefice of Lutterworth, Leicestershire; in 1427 he became Dean of Wimborne, and on the 28th of June in the same year was appointed Treasurer of Salisbury. On the 18th May, 1441, he was collated to the prebend of Combe 14th in Wells Cathedral, and he also held the prebend of Gillingham in connection with Shaftesbury Abbey, and was rector of Fordingbridge in Hants. He was Chancellor of the University of Oxford 1431—1433, and again 1446—1453. In 1449 he became Dean of Salisbury, and died in 1463 and was buried in the Cathedral, where there was a chantry for his soul at the Altar of Relics near to which he had obtained licence (Newton Reg : p. 50) to build himself a tomb. In one of the windows on the South side of the Cathedral there was formerly a figure of a person in a gown, with this inscription :—

In imaginem Doctoris Kymer
Medici quondam Cancellarii Oxon.
Et postea Decani Sarum
O Sancti Medici Medico mihi ferte iuvamen
Ut summus Medicus Mentis mihi det Medicamen
Quo sine fine salute poli post perfruar Amen

He was a physician of repute, and on the 12th of June 1455 attended King Henry the VIth at Windsor in that capacity. He was attached, as physician, to the household of Humphrey Duke of Gloucester, to whom he addressed a treatise called "Dietarium de Sanitatis Custodia," which exists in MS. in the British Museum (Sloane MS. 4, ff. 63—98).

vniuersitatis Oxoniensis est Cancellarius, tum propter mediacionem Episcopi Lincolniensis[b] qui magnus est in Canteburgia. Et omnino prouideatis quod pecunie in banco deponantur, vt alias in literis ex vi^to^ Augusti apertius scripsimus, sed cui vel quibus dictarum pecuniarum commissio sit attributa summe bene prouideatis. Et, pater Reuerende, coniuro vos per patrem et filium et spiritum sanctum, quod istud negocium cordi capiatis quod expediri possit ante proximam estatem sequentem, quia talem intemperiem ac temporis insalubritatem propter excessiuos calores nunquam sustinuimus, quia sepissime nos subito morituros arbitramur; quid tamen nobis in futurum eueniet ignoramus; immo et cetera preterea pater Reuerende habeatis supradictis literis ceterisque directionibus in aliis literis vobis scriptis; supradictus Andreas de sancta Cruce dixit quod papa velit nolit dictum nostrum Osmundum canonizabit, et in Sanctorum Cathologo ex iusto iudicio ascribet, vel saltem ad partes committet ad finaliter expediendum, et ideo pro istis laboretis literis quam cito comode poteritis. Et dominus Tarentinus multum admiratur de literis Archidiaconatus sui, et scribatis sibi effectualiter ac Magistro W. Gray pro negocii nostri acceleracione, pro amore Ihesu Christi, qui vos vestris in agendis seruet conseruet. A Roma x^mo^ Augusti

Vester Symon Howchyns

[11 *October* 1452. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

4 *b* Copia litere directe Reuerendo in Christo patri et domino domino Ricardo dei gracia Sarum Episcopo vna cum originalibus literis quarum copie suprascribuntur per magistro I. Paslew[a] transmissis.

[b] John Chedworth (vide Dict: of Nat: Biog:) was educated at Merton College, Oxford, and was elected a fellow of King's Coll: Cambridge, at the second election of Fellows. He became the second Provost of King's in 1446. He held in succession the prebends of Yatesbury, 1440; Stratford, 1443; Netherbury in Terra, 1445; and Hurstbourne, 1447; all in Salisbury Cathedral; and in 1449 was made Archdeacon of Wilts. In 1448 he founded a chantry in Salisbury Cathedral (Burgh Reg: p. 18). He was consecrated Bishop of Lincoln in 1452, and died in 1471, and was buried in Lincoln Cathedral. While Bishop of Lincoln he was very active in the prosecution of the Lollards.

[b] Preb: of Eigne in Hereford Cath: c 1439. Held the following prebends in Salisbury Cath: in succession, Minor Pars Altaris 1446, Bishopston 1447, Chute and Chisenbury 1449, South Alton 1449.

Reuerende in Christo pater et domine, post humillimas filiales recommendaciones, mittimus iam ad vestram paternitatem confratrem nostrum magistrum I. Paslew, cui, super hiis que ex parte nostra dicturus et lecturus est pro responso, quantum ad nos attinet, in scriptis sibi tradito ad articulos duarum literarum nuper dominacioni vestre a vestris nostrisque procuratoribus in Romana curia transmissarum, fidem adhibere dignetur eadem vestra dominacio, quam semper conseruet in prosperis clemencia saluatoris. Ex Sarum die xi Octobris

Eminentis vestre paternitatis filii decanus
et Capitulum Ecclesie vestre Sarum.

[11 *October* 1452. *Proposed answer to the letters of N. Upton & S. Huchyns sent with the above letter from the Dean and Chapter to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

Responsio decani et capituli Ecclesie Sarum, quantum ad ipsos attinet, ad articulos duarum literarum, quarum vna est de data vi^to^ Augusti altera de x eiusdem mensis Anno domini M^o^CCCClii^do^ nuper Reuerendo in Christo patri domino Ricardo Episcopo dicte ecclesie transmissarum a Magistro N. Vpton et Symone Howchyns iam Romanam curiam sequentes etc sequitur

Primo magister Andreas Holes Cancellarius Ecclesie Sarum interrogatus de vna commissione, de qua in vna dictarum literarum fit mencio, facta alias Florencie per felicis recordacionis Eugenium papam Tiraconensi Andegauensi et Firmano Cardinalibus in causa canonizacionis bone memorie Osmundi etc; Respondet quod Commissio illa concepta erat in vna cedula papiri, iuxta morem romane curie, et presentata Magistro Symone Huchyns, tunc Florencie existente, dictis dominis Cardinalibus commissariis in loco habitacionis prefati domini Tiraconensis insimul congregatis; vigore cuius Commissionis non fuit tunc in dicta causa processum ob defectum mandati et pecuniarum etc, qui Tiraconensis iam obiit, vnde prefata commissio querenda et petenda est a notariis prefatorum Commissariorum, quia tales Commissiones consueuerunt semper in alicuius notariorum custodia remanere.

Item, quantum est ad pecunias quas vtraque prefatarum literarum desiderat cum omni festinacione in banco reponi,

Prefati Decanus et Capitulum fecerunt debitum suum in solucione summarum ipsos conceruentium tam pro termino sancti Iohannis Baptiste quam termino Michaelis vltimo preterito. Certi etiam alii Canonici dicte Ecclesie, licet pauci, soluciones fecerunt, prout lator presentium in scriptis ostendet. Totalis tum summa iam collecta, et pauca existens, vix sufficiet ad solutionem salarii procuratorum dicte Ecclesie in curia existentium, pro termino finiendo in fine mensis decembris proximi futuri, sic quod summa necessaria ad solucionem et celerem expedicionem dicte canonizacionis non habetur, nec vt decano et capitulo prefatis apparet verisimiliter habenda est, quia imposicio facta canonicis, soluenda . . . . . triennium, que in vno anno, omnibus etiam soluentibus, ascendit dumtaxat ad ii^{c}iiii li : xvii^{s}iiii^{d}, [de] qua summa procuratores dicte Ecclesie in romana curia iam existentes habere volunt in Anno . . . . . eorum C li et plus, quia magister Symon Howchyns non vult contentari pro labore et salario suis cum xx . . . . . vt alias scripsit prefato domino Episcopo, ita quod ad prosecucionem dicti negocii prefati procuratores haberent per annum stipendia sua Cli, et modicum vel nichil vltra, cum qua summa durante tri . . . . . negocium prefatum nunquam verisimiliter expedietur, nisi canonici dicti ecclesie meliorem in posterum sol . . . . . quia omnes pecunie pro duobus terminis iam preteritis collecte non ascendunt nisi ad xxxiii li ix^{s} . . . . . non sufficient ad restituendum Thesaurarie dicte ecclesie liii li ab ea mutuo receptas . . . . procuratoribus etc. Aduertenda est etiam bene vna clausura, posita in ii^{da} linea litere de x Augusti, ... nostrum hic expectando tractant de pane lucrando pro temporis diuiturnitate etc, vnde. . . . . bene consideratis, et mature ponderatis, ac paupertate et exinanicione thesauri dicte Ecclesie Sarum per modos et causas diuersos alias prefatos, Reuerende pater, seriose declaratis, dicti decanus et Capitulum valde contristantur et dolent, non videntes qualiter dictum negocium optatum pro hac vice sortiri valebit, sed quod dicti procuratores sunt, de necessitate, reuocandi, et prosecucio dicti negocii suspendenda, donec tot pecunie in manibus habeantur que sufficere valeant ad celerem et felicem psius negocii expedicionem, saluo semper in premissis vestre Reuerende paternitatis iudicio meliori.

Item, vbi in vna dictarum literarum petitur, quod obtineantur

noue litere a Rege Regina ac aliis dominis spiritualibus et temporalibus huius regni, et a duabus vniuersitatibus, derigende moderno pape in promocionem negocii dicte canonizacionis etc, videtur prefatis decano et Capitulo, quod ad solicitandum et concepcionem ac finalem expedicionem literarum huiusmodi, labor prefati domini Episcopi sit necessarius, si paternitati sue reuerende expediens visum fuerit tales litere expediri debere; quia non est verisimile quod Rex Regina aut aliquis dominorum spiritualium vel temporalium huius regni, scribere velit sub ea forma de qua vna prefatarum literarum de dato x Augusti facit mencionem, nec litere sub illo tenore mittende ad papam promouerent verisimiliter dicte canonizacionis negocium, sed pocius impedirent. Item dicte litere, sine prouisione pecuniarum necessariarum, modicum prodessent, vnde, pro illis pecuniis ad sufficienciam habendis, primo laborandum esse videtur si dicta canonizacio debeat obtineri.

Ista Responsio fuit concepta, et concorditer, nullo dissentiente, conclusa, vndecimo die mensis Octobris anno domini M°CCCC^mo^lii^do^ per singulos residenciarios ad tunc presentes, videlicet per dominos G. Kymer decanum, Andream Holes Cancellarium, Ioh: Symondesburgh Thesaurarium, W. Ingram[a], Ioh: Paslew, Ioh: Cranborn[b], Ricardum Trovy[c], Robertum Langryssh[d], et Thomam Circetur[e], capitulariter congregatos et capitulum facientes.

[a] Preb: of Torleton 1427 and of Highworth 1435 both in Salisbury Cath: having previously 1420 held the prebend of Moreton cum Whaddon in Hereford Cathedral. Died 1464 (Beauchamp Reg: i. fo. 104).

[b] LL.B. Preb. of Rotesfen 1432, Combe and Harnham 1435, Hurstbourne 1452. With Nicholas Upton he made, in 1452, a survey of Churches, lands, tenements, &c., belonging to the Church of Sarum. Their report is preserved in the Muniment Room at Salisbury. He was elected Custos of The College of Vaux in 1454 on the death of J. Symondesburgh. He died on the 27th of July, 1474, at his house in the Close, and was buried in the nave of the Cathedral.

[c] Preb. of Axford 1447, and Bishopston, Netheravon and South Alton all in 1449.

[d] Preb. of Ruscomb 1446, and Durnford 1448.

[e] Preb. of Lyme and Halstock 1431. He gave many MSS. to the Cathedral Library. In some of them is to be found the following note: "Liber "Thome Cyrcetr post cuius decessum liberetur alicui seculari clerico sacerdoti "et predicatori ut celebret et oret pro anima eius et pro precedentibus "possessoribus ac pro quibus tenentur et omnibus fidelibus etc continue dum "liber durauerit semper disponatur post obitum occupantis ut occupans "oret pro ultimo possessore et possessoribus precedentibus ac omnibus "fidelibus viuis et defunctis."

6 [31 *January* $14\frac{58}{59}$. *The Dean and Chapter to Nicholas Upton.*]

Venerabili viro Magistro Nicholao Vpton precentori Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum confratri nostro carissimo.

Worschipful Sir and brother we grete you wele certifying yow that we resceived the xv day of Nouember last passed, be the handes of our Reuerend fader in God the Bisshop of Sarum, your lettre bering date from Rome the viii day of September, whiche lettre alonly we Resceived from you, and no mo directe vnto vs tofore Cristemasse last passed sithen your departing from Sarum, mervaling that our welbeloved frend M. Simond Howchins, which was associat vn to you in our mater of Canonizacion, was not made prevy to your writing, as it semeth, for it is subscribed alonly by you and not be hym, and he neuer yet wrote seuerally by hym self on to us. Nethelesse after that your said lettre was redde openly and distinctly before vs all in our Chapitre Howse, our said Reuerend fader being present, we wer full hevy, vnderstonding that no thing in effecte was don in the courte, before the date of your lettre, in the said mater, for the which ye and the said Maist^{r} Symond were sende theder. And wher as ye make mencion in your writing of xii lettres sende to our said Reuerend fader, we hadde no knowlage but of iiii, whiche his lordschip made to be shewed on to vs. And as toward your frendes ther, whiche as ye say be sory for you that we wold put so gret confidence in tharchebysshop Tarentin for to ley out any money, sithen, as ye write, ther is non at home, truly the grete confidence grewe neuer of vs more then of you, that vnder trust therof toke your iournay toward Court. As for purviaunce of money to be made be way of borwing in any marchauntes bank, paing for the chaunge of euery noble so borwyd xxd, ye knowe wele y nogh that way were not to be take, for it were onresonable and to chargefull vn to vs and to all our brethern of the chirch of Sarum. And where as ye write that ii monethes be fore the date of yuir seid lettre ye dede no thing, but daily doted be cause of the double langage of a certein person named in your seid lettre, whom ye afferme to be of sympill reputacion and evel beloved ther, it is thought vnto vs that, if he so be, we nother ye may have any cause resonable to trust him here after for to be any meane to the expedicion of our said mater. Moreover ye write that the costes of oure Canon-

izacion, if it shulde be spedde in the Court, wold drawe, as ye ben enfourmed, to a M^{l} li sterling and more, And also that the pope is loth to spede any such canonizacion in Court, considering the gret instaunce made bysily vn to his holynesse be messages and writings of diuerse kings and princes for saintes to be canonized in thair Reames and landes, for which cause it is thought vn to you that oure said mater wold be best spedde be a commission ad partes, geten in secret wise, so that sollicitours of other canonizacions shuld not knowe therof, to spede in partibus fully and finally the same mater, which commission as ye hope wolde be geten w^{t} iii M^{l} ducats, whiche somme ye desiren to be sende in hast be some bank to the court, leting vs wete that the pope is ofte syke of the gowte, which, as ye write, is vniversall in all his body, w^{t} a sore cramp in his nek and shulders so that ye drede his deth. Truly it is not in our power to make purviaunce of the value of the seid iii M^{l} ducats, for ye knowe wele that the charge of procurement of money at iiii termes in the yere, during the terme of iii yers, whiche shulde and moste rest on euery prebende of the Chirch of Sarum, after the taxe of his prebende, by force of a graunte made in lenton last passed, may not, for the ii termes that be nowe ronne before the writing of this lettre, extende to the value of on M^{l} ducats, though eueryche of the said prebenders had paid his hole duete for the said ii termes. Where in trowth there have no more so paied as yet, saving our said Reuerend fader all the residencers and some chanons non residencers, so fewe in noumbre, that all that hath be paied, sithen your departures out of England vn to the date of this lettre, passeth not the sowme of liii li, whiche, as ye knowe well, wol not strecche to the said sowme that ye desire to be sende to the courte ; and our tresorie is not yet content of liii li vi s viii d, which was take owte therof and borwed for your setting forth toward the said court, And for ye costes and labour for ii terms, And for geting of lettres of the King, and other lordes of this reame, which ye have resceived and presented to our holy fader, as we have understande be sowme of your seid lettres sende vn to our said Reuerend fader. And sithen the pope hathe ben, and is, sore vexed w^{t} grevous and perelous sykenesse, so that ye dowte of his hasty deth, it wer a gret jupardie, thowgh we hadde grete good in hande as we ne have, to purchase of his holynesse such a commission ad partes, for if,

after that the said commission were graunted and hadde under lede, he passed to God or it were executed and the mater spedde in partibus, all the costes therof were like to be lost, which wolde be to gret a hurt; and also men here mervalen gretly that for geting of such a commission ad partes ye aske the sowme of iii m[l] ducats, whiche as it is thoght wolde be geten a grete del better chepe. Also the tenure of the said commission, if it passe, most be conseived in suchen fourme that shall please the pope, and neuer oder wise, which myght be such as shulde not please vs. And thogh such a commission were hadde and sende hider in a fourme agreable vnto vs, processe most be made her be auctorite thereof, and grete coste don in diuerses wises or euer the said mater shulde be full spedde, and gretter cost as some men deme than the full speding therof in Court w[t] good direccion should drawe therto, wher it also is most worshipfull and conuenient to have it spedde. And so our desire is now that it be, any article of your first instruccion sowming to the contrary not withstanding, nathelesse all the premisses ripely considered, which we be sory not only to write but to remember if it might other wise be. And many gret charges that we have late born, as wele in making of our library, as aboute the bylding of the chauncel of Seint Thomas chirche,[a] and diuerse other wises, as in leuying a C marcs to the king that G * * * * Resceived for the releve of cherburgh,[b] of the which sowme we ne have as yet any paiement nor sufficient assignment. Also the harme and enderaunce done vnto vs be cursed devels lymes that robbed our Tresorie,[c] as ye knowe wele, and over and over that xxxix li vs xd which we have graunted, and most paie nowe w[t] out delay or taryyng, to the king for the releve secour and savegard of the Cite and contray of Burdeux,[d] and the kinges lege peple ther, and other grevous and ineuitale burthons, that be lik w[t]in fewe daies to fall up on vs. We, after communicacion had w[t] our said Reuerend fader, and good deliberacion at diuerse tymes among us, were in purpose to reuoke the power that we gaf you and the seid

[a] The chancel of S. Thomas' Church had fallen down; it was rebuilt at the expense of the Dean and Chapter under an agreement dated the 4th of June, 1448, which is set out at the beginning of the Burgh Register.

[b] Cherbourg was surrendered to Charles VII. in August, 1450.

[c] See a letter from the Dean and Chapter to Bishop Beauchamp 5th of November, 1451, Burgh Register, p. 83.

[d] Bordeaux was surrendered in the summer of 1451.

Maister Symond, as our procuratours to sollicet the seid mater in court, but for as moche as we vnderstode now late, be a lettre direct vnto our said Reuerend fader and to vs, which lettre we Resceived first the xvii daie of Janever, in the whiche your name and the said M. Simond were subscribed, that our holy fader had committed, in priuat consistory, the xi day of October to the most Reuerend faders in God the Cardinals Firman and Valentin, to se and rede such lettres as the king and quene and other estates of England had writen to Court for the good spede of the seid mater, and to make relacion of the effecte of the same lettres, like as thei dede the iii day of Nouember, comaunding ther upon you and the said Maister Symond to exhibite be fore thaim such autentyk writings and euidences as ye had towching the same mater, we, some whate conforted be your said writing, chaunged our Rather purpose, and concluded to reuoke alonly, and so we now reuoke, be publique instrument for lakke of good, and for no thing elles as our lord knoweth, the power that we gaf you, M. Nicholl, willing that M. Symond Howchins continue forthe ouer in court as our procuratour for to sollicet the said mater, so that we wold that ye, M. Nicholl, remayne not longer as now in the said courte, for sollicitacion of the said mater, in trust to have of vs any good for your labour and costes for time to come. Nethelesse we thank you of your labour that ye have done hitherto, letyng yow to wete that, as hard as it is w^t^ vs of money, we have paied sithen cristemasse last passed to M. Iohn Cranborn and the Subchaunter[n] your procuratours, in part of good due on to you for the last terme, xx marcs, and when ye ben comen home, we shall counte w^t^ you of the Remanent of suche good as be reason 6 *b*
and conscience ye hogh to have, desiring that all the writings evidences and munimentes, whiche ye have in your warde consernyng the seid mater of Canonizacion of Osmond, ye leve vnder endentures, by knowlage of M. William Gray and other notable englissh curtisauns, w^t^ the seid M. Symond. And if it so be that God for bede that the said mater may not in any wise be spedde

[n] William Berwick, Succentor 1435—67. A Vicar-Choral appointed arbitrator, together with John Pedwell, Subdean, Simon Houchyns, and John Syphrewest, in a dispute between the Dean and Chapter, as rectors of S. Martin's, and William Spaldyington, Provost of S. Edmund's, to which the Vicarage of S. Martin's was annexed, as to the tithes of "The newe mede." Hutchins' Register, p. 53, under date 1st of August, 1844.

w^t^ the labour diligence and besynesse of the said M Symond, than we will that he leve, vnder like endentures and fourme a boven writen, the seid writings endentures and munimentes w^t^ in seint Thomas of Caunterbury hospitall[a] in Rome, in some sure place suche as the clothes of silke and the best iuelx of that howse be kept in; more we wole that ye wete that the said reuocacion of your power now made by vs for causes a bove expressed, not withstanding all possible diligence most and shall be shewed to make levy of suche good as nowe his and shall be with in iii yeer next comyng due, be vertue of the said graunte made in lenton last passed, to the entent that sollicitacion of the said mater may be continued, for our will is not to gif vp the said mater. In evidence whereof we write in this tyme a lettre on to our worshipfull brother M. William Gray, for to make and ster, at conuenable tymes, in his best manner our holy fader the pope, and the college of his Cardinals, to be grasious and wel willing to the spede of the seid Canonizacion, and to send vs worde, from tyme to tyme, of the disposicion of his holyness and of the said Cardinals in that partie, trusting, sithen he is a brother of oures, be cause of his promocion in the chirche of Sarum, he wold doo his trewe devoir in that mater to the plesauns and worship of God, whiche have you all way in his keping. Writen at Sarum in our chapitre howse vnder our comun seall the last day of January.

the dean and Chapter of the
Cathedrall Chirche of Sarum.

[3 *Feb.* $14\frac{52}{53}$. *The Dean and Chapter to William Gray.*]

Reuerendo patri M. Willelmo Gray prothonotario Apostolico et Regio in Romana curia procuratori confratri nostro Amantissimo.

Ryght worshipfull sir and our welebeloved brother, after hertly recommendacion, we thank you entierly of the good wille and tender fauour which ye, of your gret gentilnesse, have at all

[a] Attached to the Church of S. Thomas of Canterbury. Both Church and Hospital existed before Becket's time, and he is said to have lodged in the Hospital. They were dedicated in his honour two years after his death by Pope Alexander III.

tymes shewed in the Court of Rome on to our welbeloved frendes Maisters Nicholl Vpton and Simond Huchins, as we have vnderstande by their speciall writings. And for as moche as we, for diuerse gret causes, have be compelled, of necessite, to reuoke now on late time that auctorite that we gaf vnto the said M. Nicholl as our procuratour to sollicet the mater of Canonizacion of blessed Osmond, like as we write now onto hym in suche maner and fourme as is conteined in the copie bownden w^t^ these our lettres, not proposing be the said reuocacion to gif up the said mater, as your wisdom may vnderstonde by the said copie, but that the forsaid M. Symond shall continue on forth in Court as our procuratour for sollicitacion thereof, we pray you hertly as we can, that you shall vouchsaff to supporte help and forther the said M. Symond in his said sollicitacion and besynesse, and ye wole certifie vs be writing at your layser of our holy faders and the College of Cardinals disposicion in that mater, and of the day of Resceiving these our lettres. And if ther be any thing that we may do for you in these parties, we shall be at tymes redy thereto, be the grase of our lord, which have you in his blessed gouernaunce ; writen at Sarum the iii day of February.

Yo^r^ brethren the dean and Chapiter
of the Cathedrall Church of Sarum.

[31 *January* $14\frac{22}{23}$. *The Dean and Chapter to Simon Huchyns.*]

Provido et discreto viro M. Simoni Huchins Anglico Romanam Curiam sequenti.

Right welbeloved frend we grete yow wele, marveling that ye neuer yet wrote specially nor ioyntly w^t^ our brother M. Nicholl Vpton on to vs sithen your departing owt of England toward the Court of Rome, excepte on lre bearing date from Rome the iii day of Nouember, whiche we Resceived the xv day of January, albeit that ye have writen diuerse tymes on to the Reuerend fader in god our Bysshop ; and for as moche as we have wele vnderstande be a lettre of the seid M. Nicholl, directe vnto vs, writen at Rome the viii day of September, that our mater of Canonizacion of Osmonde wolde not be spedde w^t^owte more g[ood] than we have, or be like to have many day here after, we of necessite have reuoked, as moche as in vs is, be publique in-

strument, the auctorite and power that we gaff on to the said M. Nicholl as our procuratour to sollicit the said mater, which instrument of Reuocacion we senden to the said M. Nicholl w^{t} the berer of these; we sende also on to yow the copie of the said instrument, and of the lettre that we write now more at large to the same M. Nicholl, be the which copies ye shall more fully conceive many things. And in especiall diverse grete causes that meved vs for to make the said Reuocacion, willing that ye continue forth on as our procuratour, trusting that thorogh your good labour and diligence, w^{t} the supportacion fauour and helpe of our worshipfull brother M. William Gray, the said mater shall be broght to a good conclusion. And to thentent that ye shall have the better will to doo your trewe besynesse, we sende you w^{t} these our lettre of eschaunge x marcs for your owen vse, and in a noder xx marcs onwardes to spende be your good avise a bowte the said mater, as the process therof shall require, over the which ii sommes we bear the change of the money that was paied for theschaunge; and as toward the archbisshop Tarentin, if ye find hym frendly and trusty, we hold it expedient that ye have rescewe on to hym, and not any article of your instruccion sownyng to the contrary not w^{t}standing. And afterwarde the saffe garde and keping of the writings euidences and mynumentes concerning the seid mater, we desire that ye demene you ther in as it is conteyned in the ende of the seid copie of the lettre which we write at this tyme to the seid M. Nicholl, and if the applicacion made be M. Andrewe de Sancta Cruce, of the whiche ye said a copie hadde be proposed in a generall consistory, after the olde stile of Court, and our mater ther committed to y^{e} Cardinals Firman and Valentin, we shulde a be in more trust of the expedicion of the said mater then we be by the said mater committed in private consistory. As toward newe lettres to be writen to the Court [by] the king the quene and other estates of England etc., our Reuerend fader the Byshop hath promised to do his labour and all diligence to gete hem spedde, and afterward to send hem on to yow. And we pray you that ye woll certifie vs, as sone as ye may, of the day of Resceyving thes our lettres. And our lord have you alwey in his blessed keping, and bring you save and sownde home w^{t} effectuall speding of our mater. Writen at Sarum the last day of Janever.

The dean and chapitre of the
Cathedrall chirche of Sarum.

[31 *January*, $14\frac{52}{53}$. *Revocation of Commission to Nicholas Upton.*] 7

Reuocacio potestatis M. Nich. Vpton.

Vniuersis et singulis Christi fidelibus presentes literas nostras in forma instrumenti publici redactas visuris et audituris. Nos Gilbertus Kymer decanus et capitulum ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum salutem in domino sempiternam et fidem indubiam presentibus adhibere. Licet nos decanus et capitulum antedictum, vna cum Reuerendo patre Ricardo Episcopo Sarum, aliter auctoritate literarum sigillorum nostrorum appensione munitarum, et manu Notarii publici subscriptarum, fecerimus ordinauerimus deputauerimus et constituerimus honorabiles viros M. Nicholaum Vpton, precentorem prefate ecclesie Cathedralis, et Simonem Houchyns, in iure Ciuili Baccallarium. nostros procuratores et negociorum gestores ac nuncios speciales, coniunctim et diuisim potestate alium vel alios loco eorum et cuiuslibet eorum substituendi, et cum aliis clausulis necessariis et oportunis ad declarandum exponendum et proponendum cum sanctissimo domino Nostro papa in consistorio generali seu priuato, et alibi, ac quibuscunque iudicibus seu commissariis, pro sanctitate sua deponendum beatam vitam recolende memorie Osmundi quondam Sarum Episcopi, et miracula quas ipsius meritis deus operari dignatus est, ad finem et effectum quod prefatus olim antistes Osmundus auctoritate apostolica canonizaretur, et sanctorum confessorum ascriberetur Cathologo, ac vt sanctus postea ab omnibus Christi coleretur fidelibus prout in dictis literis plenius continetur. Ex certis tum arduis et vrgentibus causis, iam nos decanum et Capitulum predictos mouentibus, quas in noticiam prefatorum Nicholai et Symonis per literas nostras missiuas ad romanam curiam cum presentibus deduci cupimus, prefatum Magistrum Nicholaum, ac substitutum seu substitutos per eundem, duximus reuocandum et reuocandos, et ex certa sciencia tenore presentium, quantum ad nos attinet, reuocamus, non volentes quod nostro, aut capituli nostri, nomine, longiore, pro hac vice, ob prosecutionem canonizacionis huiusmodi sub spe alicuius summe eidem Nicholao per nos ob eam causam soluende, in dicta curia moram trahat. Per ipsius M. Nicholai reuocacionem huiusmodi, non intendimus, neque volumus, potestatem et facultatem dicto Symoni vt nostro procuratori in premissis alias datas tollere, nec

in aliquo reuocare. In quorum omnium et singulorum testimonium, nos, decanus et capitulum antedicti, has literas nostras patentes fieri fecimus, et per discretum virum M. Johannem Burgh,[a] notarium publicum infrascriptum, Subscribi et publicari ac in hac forma instrumenti publici redigi mandauimus, nostrique sigilli communis fecimus appensione muniri. Datum et actum in domo nostra Capitulari Sarum, anno ab incarnacione domini M°CCCC°LII° Indictione prima pontificis sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini domini Nicholai diuina prudencia pape quinti anno sexto, mensis Januarii die vltimo, presentibus discretis viris Johanne Okebourne et Rogero Carge Capellanis Sarum, et Bathonis et Wellensis dioceseum testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Et ego Johannes Borugh Clericus Sarum dioceseos, publicus auctoritate apostolica notarius, dicti Magistri Nicholai Vpton, necnon omnium et singulorum substituti et eorum substitutorum ab eodem, reuocacionis per dictos honorabiles viros dictum decanum et capitulum facte et decrete, ceterisque premissis omnibus et singulis, dum sic vt premittitur sub Anno domini, Indictione pontificatu, mense, die, et loco predictis agebantur et fiebant, vnacum prenominatis testibus presens personaliter interfui, eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui, ac de mandato eorumdem decani et capituli, has literas manu mea propria subscripsi, publicaui, et in hanc publicam formam redegi, signoque et nomine meis solitis et consuetis, vna cum appensione sigilli dictorum domini decani et capituli, signaui et roboraui, Rogatus et requisitus per eosdem in fidem et testimonium omnium et singulorum premissorum.

[6 *November*, 1452. *Letter from Nicholas Upton to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Right worshipful Sirs I recomende me to you, and will ye wite that sith the first tyme of oure coming heder we had neuer worde ne comfort fro you, notwithstondyng that we haue wryte to my lord and to you a dosyn lettres, bi such massengers as vs semed, that sholde hau deliuered hem to you in dewe tyme, and for

[a] Chapter Clerk of Salisbury 1447 to about 1455.

tydyngs of thexpedicion of our erunde. Like it you to wite, that on seint wenefrids day, the thirde of nouember, we were first put in gode hope of our mater. We so ofte tymes called vppon tharchebisship Tarentyne that, thorowe the menes of the Cardinal Vrsyn,[a] the pope committed oure letters, whiche we presentid to him at oure first comynge, to the Cardinal Sancte Crucis Firman, and to the Cardinal quatuor coronatorum Valentyn, to the saddist men in the Court, which made her relacion afore the pope on Seynt Wenefreds[b] day, and so folewyng the pope committit the mater to the saide Cardinalis, and after her departyng fro the pope they bade vs to bryng hem nostra antiqua documenta, and so the midday after we presentid to the Cardinal Firman oure euidences, whiche he commaunded to be delyuered to his notarie; And thus blessid be god we be a wherke; wherefore now it is nede that mony be hadde in hast, by god hit hath cost mony or this. And ther as we truste to haue had it, yit had we noon, that is of tharchebysshop Tarentyn. And in gode faithe I kannot blame hym, Consideryng that no wise man wil lay oute his mony here but if he haue sowertee howe he is to be repayed; he hathe profered vs to speke to the bankers for to borewe a summe, but and hit most needes be so, ye shal paye vppon euery noble xx^{d}, and yet ye most sende hem seuretes how they may be repayed. Yf ye wil haue youre erunde sped ye may dryve hit no lengur along, for if mony fayle ye most holde vs for excused, we hau do oure deuere, as god knoweth, and so shall ye at oure comyng. Here ys grete sewte for Canonizacion of seynts by diuerse kyngs princes and other folks. And treuly the pope is nothyng hastyous, thes cardinalls charged vs to kepe secret the commission made to hem, wherefore we hope to get a commission ad partes, and to sped al at hom, if god wil. And if it may be so hit shal spare vs the money, for and hit be do here hit whil coste myche the more money in yevyng exsample to other. For goddes love pray for vs and send vs syluer, and we will do our treewe devyer, as god knowith, whiche kepe you and sende you your herts desires. Ye most do this Frere good chere, and send hym hastyly agein, for he wil hye faste whan ye haue deliurid hym. He hath of me vi ducats and ii of M. Symond,

[a] Archbishop of Trani, created Presb. Card. SS. Joannis et Pauli (tt: Pammachii) by Pope Nicholas V., 1448.

[b] The 3rd of November.

ye most se to his costis hiderwarde sumwhat better, he is a gret laborar to the court. Wryten fro Rome the vi day of Nouember 1452. I praye you yeve me leve to do myn avantage w^t^ M. Thomas Swifte, notwithstondyng myn othe made to you, as y shal do you gode seruise here, he is anenst me to vntrewe.[a]

To my ryght worshipful maistres and bretheryn the dean and the Chapiter of Sarum. } Your Nichol Vpton Chantour of Sarum.

[12 *November* 1452. *Letter from Nicholas Upton and Simon Huchyns to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Patres conscripti, debitas post recommendaciones, literas vestras ex xxiii Augusti Sarum scriptas x° Nouembris recepimus, ex quibus concipimus vos duas literas nostras recepisse, et inter cetera ex nostris literis concipitis nos quamdam magnam capsam, cum diuersis munimentis nostrum negocium concernentibus a Reuerendissimo patre Firmano recepisse, sed quia vobis erat incognitum omnia recepimus necne quamdam copiam sedule indentate inter honorabiles viros M. A. Holes et Ricardum Caunton[b]

[a] The first notice of a disagreement between Nicholas Upton and Thomas Swift is in the Burgh Reg., p. 55. In the month of Feb. 144§, upon the death of Dean Leyot, Swift, as sequestrator general of the Archbishop of Canterbury, broke the seal which had been placed upon the great door of the deanery and carried away the goods of the deceased. Nicholas Upton, as President of the Chapter, protested against this in his own name and that of the Chapter as an invasion of their rights and prerogatives. Whether this was the same quarrel as that referred to in the text I do not know. In Nov., 1454 Swift was cited before the Chapter, when R. Drew appeared as his proctor, and undertook on his behalf to abide by the arbitration of Richard Whitby and John Cranborne, and to appear at a future date, under a penalty of £100, Upton being similarly bound. On the 23rd of January Upton and Drew appeared before the Chapter, when Drew retired from representing Swift, and Upton was given leave, notwithstanding the statutes of the Church, to implead Swift in the secular or spiritual Court.

[b] Archdeacon of Sarum, 18 July, 1446. He was employed in connection with treaties with Prussia, 1448, and Denmark and Poland, 1464. On the 11th of March, 1465, he was granted the custody of the temporalities of the see of S. Asaph, in the King's hands by the rebellion of Thomas (Knight), Bishop of S. Asaph. (Rymer's Foed:) He was one of the envoys sent by Henry VIth to Rome to obtain the approval and confirmation of Pope Eugenius IV. of the scheme for the foundation of Eton College. Preb. of Grindal in York Cath. 1446.

literis vestris incluse misistis, vt videremus si omnia in copia scripti indendati reciperemus. Verum nos recepisse fatemus rotulum vnum antiquum scriptum in pergameno continentem miracula et attestaciones diuersarum personarum extento, et quomodo ad prefatum rotulum perueniremus ignoramus, vlterius intelleximus quod miramini quod socii Lodowici de Stros retinuerunt de pecuniis meis, N. Vpton, viii ducatos, vti alias nos scripsimus; nolite mirari, quia habemus ex scriptis prefati Lodowici quod sociis suis mandauit vt ipsi ita facerent quare sibi loquimur. Vlterius concipimus quod moleste accepistis quod nos quamdam supplicacionem, cuius copiam vobis transmisimus, domino nostro pape liberari fecimus, propter duo, primum pro eo quod narramus quod negocium canonizacionis etc per viginti sex doctores famosiores, in curia romana ad tunc residentes, plene fuit examinatum, et magis est credendum quod prefati doctores vel saltem maior eorum pars fuerunt in curia quam extra, cum sigilla eorum non poterant de loco ad locum transvehi sine mutulacione, et si ita non fuerunt non videmus in quo nocebit. Iterum in alia parte disiunctiue; vbi desideramus commissionem fieri ad partes, intelligatis bene illam partem, et credimus magis comodiferum foret obtinere commissionem ad finaliter in partibus expediendum, quam hic, vt alias domino nostro episcopo scripsimus ex ix° Septembris, secundum tenorem commissionis Alexandri pape concesse sancto Thome Canterburiensi pro beati Anselmi[a] canonizacione, vlterius iniungitur nobis vt cum consilio ad minus aduocatorum faceremus, vbi pro deo habebimus pecunias pro eorum salario? nos autem nescimus mutuatas pecunias et tunc scimus quid faciemus, quia ego Simon diuersas pecunias de bursa mea propria, testibus archi-episcopo et M. Nicholao, et ex eorum mandato, ebursaui, prout per cedulam presentibus inclusam videre possitis; et sciatis quod amplius non faciam quia hic milito stipendiis meis propriis, laudetur deus vlterius affectatis quod omnes instructiones inter vos et nos conceptas omnino obseruaremus: quomodo autem hoc faciemus cum dominus Tarentinus in partibus metropolitanis existit, et sic fuit et modo est, et verisimile est quod ibi diu stabit, verumtamen materia ibi stat in bono puncto, vt, in aliis literis per fratrem Rogerum

[a] Archbishop of Canterbury, 1093—1108. Thomas à Becket tried without success to obtain his canonization, which was not effected until quite the end of the XVth Century, at the instance of Archbishop Morton.

deportatis latorem presentium, concipere potestis. Non plura sed vos conseruet in prosperis. A Roma xii Nouembris 1452.

Reuerendis viris domino decano capitulo ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum in Anglia

London.

Vestri Nicholaus Vpton precentor Sarum et M. Simon Huchyns N. Vpton cum signo manuale suo.

7b [*Note of expenses incurred by Simon Huchyns.*]

Scrutacio expense facte per eundem S. H. de mandato Archiepiscopi Tarentini et domini mei M. Nicholai Vpton.

In primis solutum domino Andree de Sancta Cruce pro supplicacione facta, cuius copiam vobis transmisimus—iiii ducatus.

Item pro scriptura trina illius supplicacionis facte per dominum Andream—iii grossi papales.

Item solutum notario Reuerendissimi patris Firmani pro registracione literarum Regis Regine etc—ii ducatus.

Item solutum pro copiacione tocius Registri—ii ducatus.

Item solutum pro vno coopertorio—iiii bolendi.

Item pro correctione dicte copie—ii grossi papales.

[23 *February* 145$\frac{2}{3}$ *Letter from the Dean & Chapter to Nicholas Upton and Simon Huchyns*]

Responsio earum literarum duarum literarum proximarum

Ryght welbelouid, first we grete you wel enterely, thankyng you for your grete labour and gode bisines that ye haue hadde abowte ye mater that ye wente for. And wil that ye wete, that we receyvid the xxi day of February ii lres of yours from Rome, whereof that on was in englice from you M. Nicholas of the date of the vi daye of Nouember last passid, and that other lre in latyn, from you bothe, vnder the date of the xii day of the same monuthe; by the whiche, after your answers to certeyn articlys, conteyned in oure lres wryten to you at Sarum the xxiii of August last passid, We conceyve that the most reuerent fader in god the Cardinal Sancte Crucis Firman, and the Cardinal

Quatuor Coronatorum Valentyn, by a secrete commission of oure holy fader the pope to haue antiqua documenta miraculorum of the blessid Osmunde in examinacion, and so y blesside our mater stondyth as ye wryte in gode poynte in so fer forth, and that ye hope to gate a commission ad partes, and to spede oure mater at home, to oure grete avantage in bryggyng of cost; and forthermore for youre costes y^{t} ye haue made and most make if the saide mater sholde be spedde, ye desire that we shul sende you money in hast. Syres to al these poyntes, and to diuerse other towchyn the gouernaunce and direccion of oure saide mater, we haue answered and send oure intent in a lre wreten at Sarum the last day of Ianuary last passid. And oure right welbelovyd brother M. Nicholas, we pray you that ye be not displesed with vs, thogh we haue reuoked youre power of procuracy for vs in y^{e} saide mater, for we dede it never of evel wil, ne for mystrust y^{t} we haue vnto you, but only for poverte and defavte of gode. And also in eschewyng of sclawnderys noyse of the pepel, seying that, for the grete avayle that we haue by youre absence, departyd amonge vs of that ye shulde haue yf ye where present, we had leuer that ye where absent and receyvyng the profytes of youre residence, whiche noyse causith mony of oure bretheren non-residencers to delay there payment after the taxe of ther prebends at termys assyned. And syrs we haue delyvered to your procuratours x marcs and the xx marcs, of whos deliveraunce to the same persones we make mension of in the saide lettres last sende vnto you. And we yeue you leue to do your avauntage with M. Thomas Swyfte, notwithstoundyng any bownde or othe made vnto vs. And oure blessid lord haue you in his kepyng, wryten at Sarum the xxiii day of Februarye.

To oure welbelouyd brother M. Nich Vpton and oure gode frende M. Symond Howchyns } y^{e} dean and the Chapiter of Sarum.

[*Letter from King Henry VIth to the Pope.*]

Minuta literarum Regiarum etc.:

Beatissime pater, deuota filii recommendacione premissa, cum pedum osculis beatorum. Gratum nobis est et singulari complacencie quod sanctitas vestra, nostrarum vt accepimus con-

templacione literarum negocium illud canonizacionis sancte memorie Osmundi, olim episcopi Saresburiensis, pro qua pridem eidem sanctitati diligenter scripsimus Reuerendissimis patribus dominis Firmano et Valentino, sacrosancte Romane ecclesie Cardinalibus, examinandum commiserit. Huius enim deuoti et sancti operis optatum exitum et felicem consummacionem mirum in modum expectamus, vsque adeo vt vix aliquid maiore studio magisve ex animo desiderare possimus. Ea siquidem pietate in prefatum venerabilem Osmundum, cuius reliqua in ecclesia Saresburie recondita requiescunt, eaque deuocione in eandem ecclesiam, in cuius diocesi nos in lucem editi originem traximus, afficimur vt vehementer optemus ipsam ecclesiam Saresburiensem Canonizacione translacione et veneracione dicti Osmundi, qui eam dum vixit amplissimis donis et immortalibus beneficiis ornauit, et nostris temporibus, atque nostra intercessione decorari ; dignetur igitur, obnixe obsecramus, eadem sanctitas vestra rem desideratam et diuturna solicitudine elaboratam, eciam cum celeri expedicione feliciter consummare thesaurumque multis seculis perditum et absconditum ad diuini nominis gloriam, ortodoxe et catholice fidei corroboracionem, atque ad populi consolacionem, et leticiam Christi fidelibus ascendere, ipsumque Osmundum, de cuius vite sanctitate innumeralibusque que pro eo et ad eius memoriam diuinitus eciam quotidie ostensa sunt miraculis clarissmis probacionibus autenticis scripturis et grauissimis testimoniis constare dignoscitur, cathologo sanctorum auctoritate apostolica ascribere. Adiciet enim ad splendorem et gloriam sanctitatis vestre, vt hoc sanctum opus tam diu protractum et ad vestram laudem diuina quadam vt creditur disposicione in hoc tempora vsque reseruatum modo felice exitum exhibeat et debitum effectum sortiatur auctoritate eiusdem sanctitatis vestre quam optamus in magnam etatem feliciter valere. Ex oppido Redyng.

Eiusdem sanctitatis vestre Deuotus filius Henricus dei gracia Rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie.

8 [*Letter from the Dean and Chapter to Pope Nicholas V.*]

Beatissime pater, humillimam post recommendacionem et pedum oscula, Notum esse arbitramur, sanctitati vestre, quanto,

superioribus annis, tempore, studio, labore, pro canonizacione sancte memorie Osmundi, quondam Episcopi Saresburiensis, apud sedem apostolicam deliberatum fuerit. Etenim hoc sanctum opus, tempore felicis memorie Gregorii xi predecessoris eiusdem sanctitatis vestre, inchoatum, ac deinde, temporibus inclite recordacionis Gregorii xii Martini v et Eugenii iiii^ti eciam predecessorum vestrorum, qui successiue re infecta mortalitate preuenti e vita excesserunt, continuatum, multisque extraordinariis euentibus ac rerum et temporum varietatibus prorogatum, necdum finem et completionem accepit. Quod licet complures in hoc preclarum opus mirifica deuocione accensi egre tulerunt, nobis tamen non minori studio affectis, id celesti quadam prouisione factum videtur, vt ad incrementum splendoris et glorie beatitudinis vestre huius rei optatissima expedicio et felix consummacio vsque in hec tempora reseruetur, vt ex hoc solenni et memorabili facto vestra memoria cum glorificacione et honore prefati Osmundi coniuncta perpetua et immortali laude apud posteros celebretur. Nec enim, attentis tantis temporum dilacionibus et annorum curriculis, nobis iuris obiti poterit quid in tam arduo et sublimi negocio perfunctorie aut precipiti festinacione procedi postulemus cum omnibus que iuxta sacros canones in hac parte requisita fuerunt, solemniter et accuratissime obseruatis de ipsius vite sanctitate, miraculorumque que eciam hiis temporibus quasi quotidie increbrescuntur frequenti ostensione gravissimis testimoniis publicis autenticisque scripturis atque apertissimis documentis, vsque adeo dilucide constet vt omnia luce clariora videantur, prout hec et cetera oportune in cedula supplicacionis desuper porrecta eidem sanctitati vestre plenius exponuntur. Cum igitur, pater sancte, rebus ita se habentibus dignum videatur venerabilem Osmundum antedictum, quem gloriosus deus sanctorum omnium gloria et corona ob excellenciam meritorum sublimauit in celum, prout pie creditur, et miracula pro eo iam multis seculis atque eciam quotidie diuinitus ostensa attestantur, honore diucius apud homines in terra et debita veneracione carere. Nos, eiusdem sanctitatis vestre deuoti oratores subscripti, ne dicto Osmundo in iis que ipsius honorem et ornamentum concernant negligenter deesse, aut eum in prosecucione tam celebris negocii iusto testimonio laudeque priuare videamur, scribimusque vnanimiter hoc tempore dicte sanctitati vestre, obnixe et summis precibus obseruantes vt eundem

Osmundum, eximia vite sanctitate dum vixit et post obitum suum innumeris miraculis choruscantem, cum omni quatenus comode fieri possit celeritate iuxta ritum sacrosancte Romane ecclesie canonizare atque cathalogo sanctorum auctoritate apostolica ascribere velitis, ad diuini nominis honorem, Cristiane religionis exaltacionem, atque Christi fidelium consolacionem, et deuocionis augmentum. Ea eadem racione rem deo gratam feceritis, hominibusque iocundam, et dignam honore sanctitatis vestre, quam optamus ad felix regimen ecclesie dei feliciter valere in tempora longiora. Ex oppido Redyng.

[28 *February* 145$\frac{2}{3}$ *Letter from Nicholas Upton to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Ryght Worshopful Maistres and brethren I Recommande me to you. And wil y wite that we here your messegers wondried neuer so miche of thing as we do, considering that syn aurill we had neuer lettres ne writing fro you, saue your first lettres, not withstandyng y haue write to you iiii tymes a fore this. And we too haue write to my lord of Sarum joyntly a dosen lettres, conteyning how we spede here. And all be hit that ye be bounde, bothe my sayd lorde and ye, as hit appereth in the x article of oure instruccion, permittyng that yf oure mater sholde be proroged or differred for defaute of mony, than we shold deliuer to tharchbisshop Tarentyn my sayd lordis secunde lettres, receyuyng of hym such mony etc., which secunde lettres kam neuer to vs. Where fore oure mater hath be almost for yete, and we hau bete thair gapyng after your lettres withoute comfort of you or of Tarentyn, as I shal more playnly telle you at commyng. By God, I trow and mony had be in the bank oure mater had be sped or this with lytelle mony consyderyng the gretnesse therof. Neuer the les ye shal knowe that euery day we loke whan the Cardinals our comissairis, Firman and Valentyn, shal make here relacion to the pope, trustyng that the said relacion made, which as we trust as yit wil be for vs, than for defaute of money we most seche oure Sewte as to the pope, for yf he decre the canonisacion to be maad, assygning oure day of canonisacion in opyn consistorie, then most we recedere cum robore for defaute of money nedfull for the expensis, which I trow wyl not be grete. And the pope

be so avised that he wil not do hit I kan no more, for here is no help. M. W. Gray wil not do nothing for vs for envie that ye haue your trust on Tarentyn. Which Tarentyn departed fro hens the iii of feuerere, not with most worschip, as ye schal knowe here after, ye owe hym nowght barly, but and he myght he wold tarie oure mater, and come there with here after in to Ingland at your cost; but at tyme he stant not so in the popis conceit as I suppose. Here was imagined a gret treson a yens the pope and othere by Somme of the Vrsinis,[a] of which Somme be hanged and mo shal if they may be take. I trowe ye haue herd thes tydyngs or this, and therefore I write no more therof. I pray God put the holy ghost a mong yow, and so herte you in youre blest mater that negligence or yuell will let hit not, ther schal be no defaute in vs. Writen fro Rome the last day of feverere 1452°.

Reuerendis in Christo patribus et Amicis Dominis Decano et Capitulo ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum in Anglia } Your Nichol Vpton Chauntor of Sarum.

[17 *March* 145$\frac{2}{3}$. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Pater Reuerende, post recommendaciones debitas, literas vestras cum signeto proprio signatas in manerio vestro de Sonyng xvi^{to} Januarii Rome xvi^{to} Marcii recepi, ex quibus concipio vos nostris de factis et laboribus multum gaudere. Speramus quod causam habetis gaudendi. Licet ad tempus tum propter infirmitates xxxiiii dierum que ante datum presentium continue papam vexarunt, tum propter turbacionem, de qua alias vestre scripsi paternitati, negocium deferatur, cum Reuerendi patres in nostro negocio commissarii tempus referendi expectant congruum. Et pro acceleracione negocii literas regias ceterorumque dominorum, et precipue Cardinalis, sepissime habeamus, quia licet per prius pro magna summa pecuniarum scripserim, habitis literis predictis 8 *b*

[a] Nicholas Upton was wrong in attributing this treasonable attempt to the Ursini family. It was the conspiracy of Stephen Porcaro (see Gibbon Decl: & Fall cap lxx). Stephen Porcaro was arrested on the eve of the projected outbreak, and, with nine of his accomplices, hanged three days later (9th of Jany. 145$\frac{2}{3}$); and many others of the conspirators were afterwards arrested and executed as Upton anticipated.

et summa mille ducatorum per literas avisamenti in banco, vt alias vestre scripsi paternitati, speramus sine incuria obtinere, nempe nullam certam summam pro negocio expediendo limitare scimus, cum diuersa sunt foeda circa canonizaciones debita; preterea pater quidam anglicus in teologia doctor, et in omni facultate vir famosissimus, abbas ytalicatus, qui per x et viii annos in ytalia continue stetit, nuper ad curicam venit, qui cum pontifice ceterisque Cardinalibus summe bene est notus, et precipue cum Valentino, qui ipsum sic solicitauit, vt omnia que ad ipsum pertinent fideliter facere promisit. Nam Cardinalium ceterorumque curtisanorum mores summe bene nouit, et ideo dicto abbati de et super promocionibus ceterisque pro ipso in anglia faciendis, si negocium expediatur, vos plurima pro eo facturum promisi, quia ex quo dominacio vestra vult quod laboremus non dimittemus quovsque vnum vel alium finem habeamus; ideo diligencias vestras in literis Regiis et in pecuniis nobis mittendis facite, et scribat Rex noster omnibus subditis et legiis suis in curia existentibus, vt ipsi non impediant si nos iuuare uolunt nostro in negocio pro honore Regis et Regine. Et si forsitan papa moriatur successor suus cicius faciet quam ipse; ideo rem hanc ad finem producemus, deo duce, qui vos semper in prosperis conseruet, et valete vti optatis valere. A Roma xvii Marcii.

Reuerendo in Christo patri ac domino domino Ricardo dei gracia Sarum episcopo in Anglia } vester seruitor et continuus orator Simon Howchins

London a Roma

[11 *April*, 1453. *Notarial Certificate of the receipt and delivery by Alexander de Bardis the agent of John and Peter de Medicis of the letters addressed to Wm. Gray, Nicholas Upton and Simon Huchyns.*]

In nomine domini Amen. Nouerint vniuersi et singuli presentes pariterque futuri hoc presens publicum Instrumentum inspecturi, Quod anno a Natiuitate eiusdem millesimo quadragintesimo quinquagesimo tercio, Indictione prima, die vero Marcurii, vndecima mensis Aprilis, pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Nicholai diuina prouidencia pape

Quinti anno septimo, In mei notarii publici testiumque infrascriptorum, ad hec specialiter vocatorum et rogatorum, presencia, personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Allexander de Bardis de Florencia honorabilium virorum Petri et Johannis de Medicis[a] et sociorum mercatorum Florencium Romanam curiam sequencium factor institor seu negociorum gestor, Quandam massam missiuarum et aliarum literarum conuolutam dictis Petro et Johanni de Medicis et sociis mercatoribus Romanam curiam sequentibus, de ciuitate Londonense per societatem dictorum Petri et Johannis de Medicis et sociorum in dicta ciuitate Londonense commorantem directarum aperuit, in quaquid massa dictus Allexander factor tres literas missiuas sigillatas reperit seu invenit, quarum literarum vna Reuerendo patri domino Guillelmo Gray, sancte sedis apostolice prothonotario, Alia venerabili viro domino Nicholao Wpetthon, Tercia vero prouido viro magistro Simoni Houchins, omnibus de Anglia existentibus, vt in earumdem literarum superscripcione apparebat, fuerunt misse et directe. Quas literas dictus Allexander factor, nomine et vice dictorum Petri et Johannis de Medicis et sociorum, posuit in manibus dictorum dominorum Guillelmi Gray Nicholai Wpetton et Simonis Houchyns, et ipsas literas eisdem dominis Guillelmo Gray Nicholao et Simoni realiter et effectu dedit tradidit et consignauit prout et sicut ipse Allexander factor dixit et asseruit dictam societatem de Medicis a dicta societate de Londonense et se a dictis de Medicis quarum factor existit habere in mandatis. Preterea reperit dictus Allexander factor in dicta massa quoddam instrumentum publicum in carta pecudia scriptum dicto domino Nicholao Wppeton directum et transmissum, Quodquid instrumentum dictus Allexander factor, nomine quo supra, in dictorum Reuerendi patris domini Guillelmi Gray prothonotarii et Simonis Houchyns ac testium subscriptorum presencia, secundum quod similiter dixit et asseruit dictam societatem de Medicis a dictis eorum sociis Londoniis commorantem et ipsum a dicta societate de Medicis habere in mandatis supra, dicto domino Nicholao Wpton dedit tradidit et confirmauit, de quibus omnibus et singulis idem Allexander factor suo proprio et dictorum Johannis et Petri de Medicis et sociorum tam hic in Romana curia quam Londiniis existencium m[otu vnum] vel plura publicum seu

[a] Sons of Cosmo de Medicis (the great). Peter (d. 1472) was the father of Lorenzo (the great). John died childless.

publica fieri petiit instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta fuerunt hec Rome in domo habitacionis dicti domini Nicholai Vpton posite in regione Aremile sub anno indictione dictis die mense et pontificatu quibus supra, presentibus ibidem honorabilibus viris dominis Petro Auart et Henrico Camud clericis Carthaginensis et Wintoniensis dioceseum t[estibus ad] premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Ego Iulianus Bartholomey de Crescis de Florencia publicus apostolica et imperiali auctoritate ac curie camere apostolice notarius Quia premissis omnibus et singulis Dum sic vt premittur scribere per alium me aliis occupato negociis fideliter scribi feci et in hanc publicam formam redegi Ideo me subscripsi signumque meum apposui consuetum in fidem et testimonium premissorum omnium.

[2 *May* 1453. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

9 Pater Reuerende, post recommendaciones, misit pro me vltimo Aprilis Robertus de Martellis, principalis in banco de Medicis, qui sororem Ludowici de Stros in vxorem duxit, me informans quomodo dictus Lodewicus sibi cordialissime scripsit vt manus suas ad negocium nostrum expediendum apponeret, eciam quod commissionem pecuniarum in breui haberet; de cuius dictis multum gaudebam, ponens me in bona spe, dicens esse difficile nisi materia expediretur et in tantum quod nisi modo expediretur nunquam inposterum expediretur, et sic nil aliud expectamus nisi aduentum literarum Regis Regine et pecuniarum commissionem etc.; vestre eciam scripsi paternitati ex xiii° Aprilis, quomodo Reuerendissimus pater Firminus dixit mihi, quod papa ad presens noluit aliquid in nostro negocio facere, ego tamen aduersis inquisiui que erat causa qui mihi asseruit quod, si papa pro Rege et Regno nostro et nec pro regibus Arragonie et Francie pro canonizacione fratris Vincentii[a] scribentibus faceret, indignacionem eorum incurreret, et sic ista est causa principalis.

[a] Vincent Ferrer a Spanish Dominican friar, born at Valencia 1355. Peter de Luna, afterwards Benedict xiii. (antipope 1394), made him his confessor and master of the palace, but he resumed his preaching work in 1397 and visited Spain, France, Italy, Germany, Great Britain, and Ireland. He is said to have been possessed of an eloquence singularly powerful and

Non alia pretenditur, et est ista quod sunt anni quasi xxx anni exquo materia erat in curia attemptata et dimissa, sic quod causa non docetur autentice de miraculorum continuacione, quare papa intendit ad partes mittere commissionem ad inquirendum de miraculorum continuacione, et hoc nihil aliud est, vt ego sencio, nisi pro negocii protelacione, ideo vestram consulo paternitatem quod omnia miracula citra illud tempus scribi faciatis, sub sigillis autenticis et notariorum, et ita autentice vt iura volunt, et si ad partes papa omnino committere vult commissariorum certificatorium, in curia non expectabo, sed firmiter credo quod, si commissio pecuniarum in banco habeatur predicte commissioni ad partes transmittende obviabitur. Sed vnum aliud est, pater, quod citra festum pasche quidam episcopus Olerensis[b] prope Vascariam, vnus auditorum de Rota et inter omnes famosior, misit pro cantore primo et de post pro ipso et pro me, qui nobis sic ex suo motu proprio allocutus est, quomodo paternitas sua penes papam instetit vt ad episcopatum suum redire possit, cum diu in Rota stetit proprium non visitando episcopatum, ad quem respondebat papa, vt nobis dixit, consulendo ipsum quod ad tempus expectaret, vt ipse sibi ordinare poterat et prouidere de bona legacione versus partes illas, et sic ad Almaniam vel ad Angliam, quas partes et precipue Angliam dictus episcopus videre cupit; sic prefatus episcopus a nobis quesiuit quomodo stetit negocium canonizacionis, cum totam negocii seriem declarauimus, informando eciam paternitatem suam quomodo vestri decanus et capitulum nolunt aliquo modo quod talis commissio emanare debet vt in partibus expediretur, ne mortuo mandante expiraret mandatum; qui dixit quod pro hoc bene faciunt, quia commissionem a sede apostolica que semper durat et non solum a papa obtineret, et eciam vt res non esset integra faceret virtute commissionis sue antequam a curia recederet in procuratori vnum monitorium, vt omnia acta et munimenta coram ipso iudicialiter producerem ad omnia pericula euitanda per vestrum capitulum proposita, de omnibus supradictis materiis cum omni festinacione rescribite. Et dominus Cantor est in breui a curia recessurus, vt dicit; et vos conseruet in

moving. In 1412 he was delegated by his native city to take part in the election of a successor to the vacant crown of Aragon. He died at Vannes on the 5th of April, 1419. He was Canonized by Calixtus iii. in 1455. (Encycl. Brit.)

[b] Oleron, in the department of the lower Pyrenees.

prosperis virginis filius gloriose. A Roma ii° Maii 1453. Et nomen Regine pro quo scripsistis est Constancia vt audiui inquiram tamen veritatem.

Reuerendo patri in Christo patri ac domino domino Ricardo dei gracia Sarum episcopo in Anglia. } vester continuus orator Symon Houchyns.

London a Roma

[13 *April*, 1453. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Worshipful soverayngnes, after dew recommendacion, Like it you to knowe that the xi daye of Aprill, in the presence of my lorde and maister M. Gray and the Chantour, y, by the handes of on of the Feloushiꝑ of the banke de Medicis, receyved a copie of a lettre send vnto my M. Chantour, in the which y receyved on other lettre y closed with ynne directe vn to me, writen at Sarum the last day of January, where bi y conceyve, firste, your lordshipes take it on greve that y never wrot vnto you yontely with M. Chauntour, nother a part by my self, safe onys for sothe; it is sothe, Sires, y treste to God your wysdomes beth suche that ye wil holde me excused, for y fonde no cause of confort as for the mater of that y went fore that I mizt write on to you rather than y dede, for it is y nowe and to muche that on be heuy or sory, for y knowe wel that my gode and gracious lord of Sarum hath take my wrytyng in grete heuines, seinge that the direccions made bi my saide lorde vn to Tarentyn litel or nought have profited as yet; And so hens for-the-warde the seide fadir Tarentyn may nother hynder nother profite in so muche that he, cum paruris, is remeved fro the courte in to his archebishopricke, in crastino purificacionis vltimo preterito, as y haue wretyn unto my saide lord here by fore more playnly. Also I fele that ye conceyve how the chantour wrot vnto you that ther most be had ii or iii M[l] ducats for the expedicion of the mater of Canonizacion, for sothe y be his avise wrote the same vnto my seide lord, for we as wisely as we coude inquired what costs where done in the Canonizacion of seint Barnardyn, whiche was said vnto vs that it grew to a grettir summe then we wrot of. Netherthelese, lords

and maisters, y trust to god your wisdomes and sadnesse be suche and so conceyve that this mater wil not be spedde with oute goode, and therefor prey ye of suche summes as ye can deme that the mater may be sped by. For, in gode feythe, vnto tyme that mony be hadde in the banke y can nat se that any answere wil be had that ys effetuel, but y tryst to god verily that a grete del lasse money will suffice, as y haue late inquired. Also y haue vnderstande the copie of the lettre sent vnto my maister Chantour, whereynne there bene diuerse poynts whiche ye desire that y sholde kepe. Sires I shal [kepe] the entent of them al so muche as y may. Also y conceyve that y shal continue in the court, and be your procuratour forthe in your mater, Wherefore y beseche your lordeshipes that ye asee that my labour turne me to no hurt, for y had a officz[a] the whiche was worth to me yerly x[li] and more, whiche avayle lese y by my absence. Latyng you wite that y made nevir instance by myself, neither by no mene person, to take this labour on me, whiche ye knowe ryght wel, and benefice haue I none so that by myn absence ther is nothyng that groweth vnto myn avayle. Et sic per laborem in dampno crescit mortalis egestas, for if y had yknowe that this mater shulde haue be this longe ytaried, y wolde not haue take it on me for no thyng, for I haue spende xx[li] and more of myn owne gode, over that ye toke to me when that I went in gode feyth. Also I haue receyved lettres of chaunge for my selfe of x marcs, Item of xx marcs for expensez necessarie as the mater requireth. Syrs, y wrot vnto my lorde how and in what wyse y made summe costs here by fore, and sithen that y haue made moe, as ye mowe see by the scrowe withynne closed, whiche costes Tarentyn hath approved by subscripcion of his owne hand and M. Chauntor bothe. And as for that we shulde haue recource vnto Tarentyn, he ys go, as it is above saide, levyng with vs no direcion in oure mater; for y was ryght importune to haue had of hym a dyreccion, but he saide to me that he myght nothyng do. And as towchyng to the evydence and writyngs, thei be as yet in the Cardinalls handes, but as for that y shal kepe your ordynaunce. And wher ye wryte, that if the supplicacion made by Andrewe de Sancta Cruce had be proposed in a publik consistorie and so the mater there vpon to haue be committed to the Cardynall hit had be lykly rather to be sped, forsothe y trowe it wol be put, ther yn we were rewlid after

[a] Probably the office of Clerk or Registrar to the Chapter.

Tarentyn wherefore ye most holde vs excused. And also ye say that my lorde wil labour for letters of the kyng and other etc to be sent, lete it be laborid so that the kyng set to his syne manuel in his lettres, for ells the pope charget not gretely the kyngs letters; and if thes letters come, y trust to god we shal haue some ende, for as yet we haue but sympil confort; for the thursday in ester weke y solicite the Cardinall Fyrman, and when he sawe me he called me to hym and saide, Bene veniatis ad palacium, in die lune proximo sequente et ibi habebitis secretarium qui scribet regi vestro et ceteris dominis quia dominus noster sanctissimus non intendit aliquid facere in vestro negocio pro ista vice, so y, beyng gretely confused and astonied of thes wordes, went to the Chantour and tolde hym thereof and M. Gray both. Which, yn as muche as the kyngs letters were comyng, consouled me to solicite no more vnto the comyng of them, so in the mene tyme he wolde speke with Firman of this matere, and so effectually to labour therynne as he cowde sithen we where deliuered fro Tarentyn, for a fore he wolde not take no thyng on hym in the mater. Also ye commaunde me to certefie you of the receyving
9 *b* of oure letters, Syrs the saide letters and Instrument reuocatorie were delyuered by the handis of the banker de Medicis in the presence of a Notarie and witnesses required, makyng mension of the saide Chantour at Rome the yere of our lorde M^{l} CCCC^{m} liii. Further more where it lust you to reuoke my M. Chantour, y had leuer then al the gode that I haue that ye had reuoked me, for menyfold causez, for here I stonde lyke a fole servyng my selfe, where it was the contrarie promised when y was at home. No more at this tyme, but almyghty god haue you in his gracious kepyng. Fro Rome the xiii day of Aprill 1453.

Reuerendis patribus decano et Capitulo ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum in Anglia.
London de Roma.

Your servante in that y may
Symon Howchyns.

[*Note of Expenses by Simon Huchyns.*]

Expense facte circa negocium canonizacionis Osmundi, A xxvii^{o} Junii Anno domini M^{l}cccc^{mo}lii^{o} per Symonem Houchins, procuratorem in dicto negocio, per avisamentum Reuerendissimi

patris Tarentini et Nicholai Vpton Cantoris Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum, in Curia existentis.

In primis solutum Andree de sancta Cruce pro factura vnius supplicacionis de et super toto processu ... ... iiii ducatus

Item solutum pro Scriptura trium supplicacionum ... ... iii grossi papales

Item Solutum Notario Reuerendissimi patris Firmani pro Registracione literarum Regis Regine Archiepiscoporum etc. ... ... ii ducatus

Item solutum pro copiacione tocius Registri canonizacionis duos ducatus et non plus quia maximam partem Scripsi manu mea ... ii ducatus

Item solutum pro coopertorio ad cooperiendum dictam copiam ... ... iiii bolendi

Item solutum pro correcione dicte copie que erat tradita domino Valentino ... ... ii grossi papales

De summis predictis scripsi vobis copiam ante hec, et iste[a] sequencia facta citra ... ...

Item solutum notario domini Firmani summanti prefatam copiam ... ... i ducatus

Item solutum pro scriptura alterius copie tocius Registri scriptum per manum notarii domini Firmani que copia est in manibus domini sancti advocati ... ... iiii ducatus

Item solutem predicto domino sancto in festo Sancte Lucie ... ... ii ducatus

Item solutem eidem secundo die Ianuarii ... iiii ducatus

Item bancarii de Stros continuerunt de pecuniis domini Cantoris pro portagio literarum Regis etc. ... ... viii ducatus

Item solutum fratri Rogero transeunti ad Angliam portando literas pro parte Cantoris iiii ducatus

Item solutum eidem pro parte Simonis Houchins ... ... ii ducatus

Supradicte expense exposite fuerunt ante xiii die Aprilis Anno domini M°cccc°liii°.

[a] An alteration has been made in the MS. without correcting "iste."

[28 *May*, 1453. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Gilbertus Kymer

Hec litera subscripta recepta erat et lecta per decanum et capitulum xxvi die Augusti per fratrem Rogerum eisdem presentata.

Worshipful soverayngnes, after dew recommendacion, Doyng you to wite that y receyved your letter at Rome feria quarta in Septimana pentecostes, directe vnto Maister Nichol and me bi the handes of frere Roger, which was wryten at Sarum the xxiiii day of February and was openid bi the handis of the saide M. Nich on the way as he went hamwards, in the which also ye make worde of othir lettres sent vnto vs of the date of the last day of January last passid, in the which is . . . . your . . . . . for sothe the lettres we receyued at Rome the xi day of Aprill last passid to the whiche y as for me haue wryten to your lordeshippis an answere by lettres duplicat and sent by the banke of Strosse and Medicis both, so that for as muche as towchit me y shal kepe the entent of them, latyng you wite also that the said M. Nich partid from Rome the xii daye of Maye last passid, me no thyng wityng of his goyng, for the whiche y was ryught sory in gode feyth, demyng in my conceyt that he sholde be wrothe with me, but in gode feyth y yafe him neuere cause, as god knowith. And Sirs, as for the mater of oure blessed Osmunde, hit stondyth lyke as I haue wryten vnto you here by fore, but and there come neuer lettres, as y trest that there wil, in gode feith we shal vse a newe direccion, and so knowe the vtmost entente of oure holy fader; for y wote wel and he be kallid on well with the lettres of the Kyng and othir lords and yours bothe, I wote wele he wole do sumwhat thereon with the grace of god, Whiche haue you evermore in his gracious kepyng. Wryten at Rome the xxviii day of Maye 1453.

Reuerendis patribus decano et Capitulo Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum in Anglia. } your servant Simon Houchyns.

London a Roma

Item vii^mo die mensis Septembris alia litera duplicata super huiusmodi, continens in se per omnia de verbo in verbum, ac

per M. Nicholaum Vpton presidentem capituli et M. Andream Cancellarium Willelmum Ingram Iohannem S. Thesaurarium Iohannem Paslew Iohannem Cranbourn Robertum Langerisshe Ricardum Trove Willelmum Crowton[a] et Ricardum Whiteby[b] recepta et in domo capitulari, publice perlecta etc.

[28 *August*, 1453. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

Pater Reuerende, varias ac multiplices ante has vobis scripsi per literas de probitate solertique industria doctissimi viri M. Johannis Lax,[c] qui cordi nostrum canonizacionis negocium multum capit, que quidem industria et sagacitas circa materiam dicte nostre canonizacionis ad vestre paternitatis oculos per ea que vestre dominacioni transmittantur, vt mihi videtur, manifeste apperiantur. Nichilominus vt ipse vobis apertius scribit causa propter has scripturas quantum in nobis est non protelabitur, sed solicitacionem omnimodam cum tempus postulauerit adhibebimus. Sed sit vobis cure in quantum sit possibile vt ea si fieri possit habeantur, quia in hac re superflua non nocent. Non plura sed sint ista pro nouis [d]Iohannes magnus Teucer imperator Constantinopolitanus Romanorum rex sanguinis Troiani vltor ac Christi nominis persecutor Ciuitatem Romanam infra breue

[a] Preb. of Yetminster Prima 1442. Rector of All Cannings 1447—72. By his will dated 1477 he desired to be buried in the Cathedral.

[b] Preb. of Slape 1451, Chute and Chisenbury 1457, Bedwin 1459, Treasurer of Salisbury 1462. He died in 1494 and was buried in the Chapel of S. Edmund, which was the middle one in the N.W. Transept.

[c] Private Secretary to Pope Calixtus iii. and Chancellor of the Hospital of S. Thomas of Canterbury at Rome. Prebendary of Chardstock 1458. Rectory of Hewish 1463. The Dean and Chapter appointed him their proctor in the business of the Canonization, 13 January, 1453 (Burgh Reg. 118), and to his influence the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter were much indebted for their ultimate success.

[d] This letter was very carelessly copied. For Iohannes we should read Mohammed, which, as written in a XV^th^ century hand, might easily be misread into Iohannes. The taking of Constantinople by the Turks was looked upon by some as divine retribution for the taking of Troy; see Chalcondylas History of the Turks, Ed. 1567, Lib. viii. p. 103B, "Apparet Byzantii "exitium miserabile superasse omnia quae per universum orbem contigisse "scimus excidia. Nec dissimile est Ilii excidio. Ultionem Ilii diruti Byzantii "calamitatem quidam credunt, Graecis barbarorum vi pereuntibus. Romani "quidem constanter asseverant ultionem apprehendisse Graecos propter ea "quae barbaris fecerunt in Ilii destructione." Also vid. Bayle's Dict. 5th ed., vol. iii. p. 277, tit. Mohammed, note.

visitare intendit etc et valete vti optatis valere. A Roma xxviii die Augusti 1453.

Suprascriptio

Reuerendo in Christo patri ac domino Ricardo dei Gracia Sarum Episcopo

a Roma London

Subscriptio: E. paternitatis seruitor Simon Houchyns

Die mercurii proximo post festum Edmundi regis publice in domo capitulari presentibus dominis decano et Capitulo lecta erat primo in meique presencia Joh Okne.

[*Miracles of S. Osmund. See letter of 2 May.*]

John of Stamford de Thornham in Northefolk, on [a]Shrere-
10 thorthysday, comyng in a shipp of xxx tonne, bryngyng seacole from Newcastell, the shippe was a drowned, in the which were a xi men, of the[m] the sayde John and iii. mo were saved throwgh Godd's grace and Seynt Osmund, and owr lady of [b]Dancastell. And the said Ship was aventred iii myle from the lond the [c]Syster Churchis, and the said Iohn came to lond uppon a flour barell, infra horam et dimidium, semper tenens firmiter inter pedes suos et brachia sua, et ex dei dispositione ventus maris flauit versus terram.

Dominus Thomas Wake, vicarius ecclesie parochialis of Donton[d] in Bedefordshire Lincolniensis dioceseos, accessit ad tumbam Sancti Osmundi xx Aprilis, et ibidem obtulit, narrans vnum grande miraculum ostensum in persona Iohannis Gregory Lathonius de Bykelyswade eiusdem dioceseos, super cuius faciei sinistram partem, ab vno alto scafold altitudinis xxx pedum,

[a] Maunday Thursday. The name for this day used here is explained, in a volume of sermons, called the Liber Festivalis, written by John Mirk, a Canon regular of the order of St. Augustine of Lilleshall, thus: "It is also in Englis "tong schere thursday, for in our olde fadur dayes men wolden yt day makon "sheron hem honest, and dode here hedes and clyppon here berdes and so "makon hem honest agen astur day."

[b] Doncaster.

[c] The Churches of Withernsea and Owthorne in Holderness, on the coast near the Southern point of Yorkshire, were called the Sister Churches. Both of the XV[th] century Churches are now covered by the sea. Wrecks near this spot are still not uncommon.

[d] Dunton St. Mary, about 3 miles east of Biggleswade.

cecidit vnum reftar longitudinis xii pedum quadrati iiii policum, cuius per lesionis pretextum mortuus ad terram cecidit, iudicio dicti curati et omnium circumstantium, et sic iacuit spacio dimidie hore. Tandem dictus Curatus supplicauit omnipotenti deo et sancte Marie sue matri pro miraculo vite ostendendo, postea ad Sanctum Thomam Cantuariensem, et postea ad Sanctum Willelmum[a] Episcopum Ebor, et adhuc vt mortuus in conspectu omnium astantium iacuit vt mortuus. Tandem venit in mentem dicti curati sanctus Osmundus, de cuius translatione audiuit hoc anno; et statim, fusis precibus ad deum ad sanctam Mariam et ad sanctum Osmundum, cepit dictus mortuus eructare, et sic plus et plus cepit anhelitum trahere, et tandem ductus in ecclesiam parochialem predictam, demum dixit, God and oure lady help, wher have I be, dicto curato sibi dicente sic te adiuuarunt, eodem curato insuper ipsum interrogante quid eum adiuuit et respondebat, deus et mater eius et vnus presbiter albis vestibus indutus; et dictus curatus nunquam prius hic erat et ob dictam causam huc venit per Centum miliaria; et dictum miraculum factum erat circa festum Natiuitatis sancte Marie vltimum preteritum, circa horam octauam de mane.

[31 *October* 1453. *Letter from Simon Huchyns to the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter.*]

Reuerendissimo in Christo patri ac domino domino Ricardo dei Gracia Sarum Episcopo Ceterisque dominis meis decano et capitulo eiusdem ecclesie in Anglia. 11

Most worshipfull fader, and honorable soueraynges, after dew recommendacion, please hit yow to know how my maister

[a] William Fitzherbert, Treasurer of York, was consecrated at Winchester on 26th Sept., 1143, by Henry of Blois, Bp. of Winchester, Theobald Archbp. of Canterbury refusing to confirm the election. On his going to Rome for his pall he was deprived of his office by Pope Eugenius III. on the ground that he was neither canonically elected nor consecrated, but intruded into the see by royal authority. Henry Murdac was then promoted to the vacant see, and on his death in 1153 William Fitzherbert was restored to the Archbishopric by Pope Anastasius IV., but died on the 8th of June the following year, and was buried in York Cathedral. He was canonized by Pope Honorius III. in 1225 (Le Neve, and Stubbs).

Gray, a lytyl a fore his departyng from the court, and I was with the Cardinall Valentyne, solycityng hym in owre mater of blessid Osmund, informyng hym how owre Soverayn lord the Kyng put gret trust on hym as in this mater; which yaf vs that answere that I wrote vnto yow on the ii^{de} day of October, saying also how he hadde comyned this mater with the Cardinalls in a concistory vnder this forme, saying vnto thaym quod si iste Osmundus fuisset de ordine mendicantium canonizatus fuisset diu ante hec tempora, sed quia portauit habitum nostrum, tangendo rochettum suum, ideo differre debet, quod nobis dedecus est. These same wordys confirmed Firman afterward, whan my maister Grey and I solicit hym; wherefore we fynde hym all way wele sette in owre mater. But as for Firman, not withstondyng he promysed to my maister Gray at his goyng that he wold do his diligence, we se none other but that he wyl delaye the mater also long as he kan and may, for the xix day of October I, aspyyng that the Cardinall Valentyne wold goe to the Cardinall Firman, warnyd maister John Lax. We goyng forthewith solicit hem to geder, besechyng hem that thei wold remember on the mater of Osmunde, Fyrman yeving vs answer, whiche was this: Dominus meus, demonstrando Valentinum, faciet totum, and so they departyd asonder. Nathales I solicit the Cardinall Valentyne afterward, whiche yaf me this answer, that he wold speke to Firman that summe order in the processe myght be hadde, and in the same wyse I have solicit Firman which saith vnto me contynuelly that he woll sette the mater in order, but he hath so grete impediment for makyng of ordinance ayenst the grete turk that he may not as yette attende, as he saith. Natheles we shall not cese vnto the tyme that we have some ende, for the gode lord Valentyne sayeth all wey and troweth that we shall have a gode ende by the grace of god, but forsothe a gret part of the work lyeth on Firman, wherfor I wold avyse you to speke with my maister Gray, that ye and he write vnto Firman, and also my lord Cardinall of Cantirbury write vnto hym, for on Firman is al the spede. Furthermore I wrote vnto yow how owr consale find it were gode to have one Cardinall or ii to solicit this mater to the pope, for by cause we myght not have recourse vnto hym at all tyme; wherfor, as I have write vnto yow here by fore, we have spoke with the Cardinall Andegauensis, which is grettyst doer in the court,

and promised vnto hym for his labour if owr mater take a gode ende CCC ducats; whiche spake with the pope, comynyng with his holynesse of the said mater, wham he fonde full wele disposid, as he enfourmed vs; wherfor if ye seme I do welle sende word, and if I do other wyse avyseth me what I shall do for the love of god whiche have yow in his gracious kepyng. From Rome the last of October 1453. Also, lordis and maisters, I pray yow purvey for some monay for me, othir ells y most nedysse come home, for in gode feythe I have but xx ducats in the bank over the summe that ye sent to me for the costys, of the whiche I have paid xl ducats, so that ther rest but xl mo, which y wyll not towch but to that vse thogh I shold go a beggyng etc.

Memorandum quod dominus Willelmus Gray recessit a curia Romana in festo sancti Edwardi Regis et confessoris viz xiii die Octobris 1453.

Vestre paternitatis et dominacionis Servitor Simon Huchyns.

Predicta litera erat missa domino decano a domino Episcopo Sarum, et perlecta viii^{vo} die Februarii 1453 per dominum precentorem, presentibus in capitulo domino Gilberto Kymer decano, N. Vpton precentore, Andrea Holes Cancellario, Johanne Symondisburgh Thesaurario, W. Ingram, Joh Cranborn, Trovy, Paslew, Langrysh, et Whitby, capitulariter congregatis et capitulum facientibus.

[1453 *Fragment of letter from Simon Huchyns* (?) *to the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter.*]

xxvi^{to} March 1454to subsequens litera erat producta per M. W. Nessingwyke[a], Capellanum domini Episcopi Sarum, et perlecta per M. N. Vpton precentorem, presentibus in capitulo domino

[a] Notary Public, Preb: of Preston 1450, Stratton 1454, Faringdon 1459, Subdean 1459. Rector of Mildeston 1475–81. He often acted as locumtenens for the Dean when the latter was absent. He lived at one time in the Canonical house at the extreme S.W. corner of the Close. This house was built by Henry de la Wyle, Chancellor 1313—1329 (Harward's Acts and Leases, p. 165), and I believe it to be the one which is often referred to in the Chapter Act Books as Aula le Stage. Aula le Stage was assigned to Richard Whitby when he was admitted a residentiary (Burgh. Reg., p. 87), and he was Nessingwyke's predecessor in his house, as appears from an amusing story told in the Machon Reg., pp. 128 and 129. It was the custom when a Canonical house became vacant for the Canons residentiary, in order of seniority, to have the option of taking it. William Fydion, who had lived in the house at the

Gilberto Kymer decano, N. Vpton precentore, Willelmo Ingram, Iohanne Cranborn, Ricardo Whitby, Ricardo Trovy, et Willelmo Crowton.

Reuerendissimo in Christo patri ac domino domino Ricardo dei Gracia Sarum Episcopo, Ceterisque dominis meis decano et capitulo eiusdem ecclesie in Anglia.

Most Reuerend fader in god and worshipfull Souerayns, after du and lowly recommendacion, lyket yow to be auertised how here by fore I have write to yow that the most Reuerend fadur in god Firman on of owr commissaries was sent to Ianna in legacie, the v day of November last passid, so, in the mene tyme, I have solicit the Cardinall Valentyne, whiche sayth to me dayly that he hath sayn all the processe of our blessid Osmund, and is and will be redy at all tyme to make relacion when the said Fyrman comyth home; which is not yet retorned but as hit is said he will returne withyn short tyme. Also, as I have write a part to my said lord hereby fore, how, at the contemplacion of his faderhode, the most Reuerent Fader in god The Cardinall Sancti Marci[a] taketh this mater of Osmund ryght tendurly, as my said lord can more pleynely infourme yow my lord dean and Chapiter, for the said Cardinal Sancti Marci infourmed me how he hadde comenyd with the pope of the mater of Osmund, wham he fownde wele disposid, sayng in this wyse that if the processe can be iustified by lawe and therwith the merytes of the Saynt askyt to be canonized his holynesse

[The rest of this letter is wanting.]

N.W. corner of the Close, died on the 24th of January, 147¾. On the 4th of February Whitby announced his intention of taking Fydion's house. On the next day there was a meeting of the Chapter to decide who should have Whitby's house. "Adstatim erexit se M. Willelmus Nessingwike" and demanded that Richard Whitby should be ordered to restore to their places the young trees which he and his servants had secretly, the night before, dug up by the roots and removed from the orchard of his late house to that of the one in which he was going to live. The order for the re-transplantation of the "arbores iuvenes" was made, and thereupon Whitby's house was taken by Nessingwyke, "ea vice contentus," as the Chapter Clerk notes. The record, in the same Register, of Bishop Beauchamp's visitation of the Cathedral in 1468 mentions Nessingwyke in a way not much to his credit.

[a] Peter Barbo, Bp. of Vicenza. Created a Cardinal by Eugenius IV., 1440. Archdeacon of Sarum 1444. Elected Pope, as Paul II., 1464.

[23 *April*, 1454. *Deed testifying to the deposit of documents in the Hospital of S. Thomas of Canterbury at Rome by Simon Huchyns.*]

Hoc presens scriptum indentatum testatur, Quod Ego Symon 11 *b*
Howchyns Reuerendi in Christo patris et domini domini Ricardi dei Gracia Sarum Episcopi decani et Capituli eiusdem ecclesie procurator, tempore recessus mei a Ciuitate res infrascriptas in presencia testium infrascriptorum honorabili viro Iohanni Lax legum doctori, vni camerariorum hospitalis Sancti Thome, necnon aliis confratribus dicti hospitalis, deliberaui. In primis vnam capsam de nigro coreo in qua est vnus liber in pargameno de foliis lxxvi scriptus intitulatus in principio Registrum in causa canonizacionis boni Osmundi Episcopi Sarum &c.[a] Item alius libellus de foliis vii in pargameno et foliis viii de papiro, continens consilia et subscripciones multorum notabilium in vtroque iure doctorum Italie, cum apposicione signetorum in materia dicte canonizacionis. Item in eodem libello sunt alia decem folia de papiro, in quibus continetur quedam supplicacio concepta de et super toto processu dicte cause canonizacionis. Item in eisdem foliis continentur copie diuersarum literarum transmissarum domino nostro sancto et aliis cardinalibus, ac alie supplicaciones super eadem materia. Item in eodem libello continentur vii alia folia de papiro, in quibus continetur quoddam summarium extractum ex Registris per Reuerendum in Christo patrem Cardinalem Valentinum, tunc quatuor coronatorum, vnum commissariorum, Et in fine continentur Responsa ad obiecta facta in tempore relacionis. Item continetur in eodem libello consilium domini Pauli de Pantanis, aduocati consistorialis, scriptum manibus suis propriis et signeti sui apposicione. Item vnum Rotulum antiquum scriptum in pargameno continentem miracula et attestaciones diuersorum personarum in materia dicte canonizacionis. Item vnum alium minorem in pergameno continentem informacionem ad prosequendum factum dicte canonizacionis. Item vnam copiam tocius processus scriptam in papiro, et continet in se clx folia scripta. Item copiam consilii domini Pauli de Pontanis. Item copiam summarii extracti per Reuerendum patrem Valentinum, vt suprascribitur, et copiam Responsi ad obiecta facta in tempore relacionis. In cuius rei

[a] This is the book which forms part I. of the present volume.

testimonium has presentes literas indentatas quadripliciter fieri fecimus, Quarum vna pars penes dictum honorabilem virum M. Iohannem, Altera in predicta cista, tercia in manibus predicti Symonis remanet, Et quarta per Bancum est ad Angliam transmittenda Datum Rome xxiii^{cio} Aprilis Anno domini 1454to

Ego d. Ioh Abbas Sancte Marie in[a] manu propria
Ioh Lax manu propria
Ego Ric^{s} Coper manu propria
Ego Wills presidens hospitalis capellanus manu propria
Ego Ioh Kybow[b] Cappellanus hospitalis manu propria

[13 *September*, 1455. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to Pope Calixtus III.*]

12 Sanctissimo domino nostro pape.

Beatissime pater, post deuota pedum oscula beatorum, Grandem Exultandi materiam cunctis prebuit magestas diuina fidelibus, quum post obitum felicis recordacionis domini Nicholai, immediati vestri predecessoris, Sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinales, habito supra futuri pontificis electione tractatu, vos in dicte ecclesie antistitem et pastorem diuersis bonis respectibus elegerunt. Considerarunt enim, verisimiliter, etatis vestre maturitatem, exemplum Christi sequentes, qui de mundo transitus ad patrem, beatum Petrum ea consideracione caro suo Iohanni et ceteris apostolis pretulit, nec immerito Vergente namque deorsum condicione corporea feruor spiritus in altiora conscendit. Experti sunt eciam dicte ecclesie Cardines eximias vestre beatitudinis dum in minoribus constitueretur prudenciam et virtutes, ac singularem illum, quem nulli aut pauci saltim vt aiunt in humanis iam versantes attigerunt, decretorum sacrorumque canonum intellectum, per quorum obseruacionem debitam sancte matris ecclesie status erit sub vestra direccione tranquillus, domino cooperante et suorum intercessione sanctorum, non tam illorum quos Romana iam dudum pro sanctis acceptauit ecclesia, quam aliorum deo specialiter acceptorum, sicut multa et evidencia

[a] A blank in the MS. after "in".
[b] Possibly the same man as John Kybow who became rector of Trowbridge in 1458.

eorum meritis per dominum indigentibus frequenter ostensa miracula manifeste declarant. Nec aliquem, exempli gracia, verius seu iustius in medium producere et allegare valemus quam bone memorie Osmundum, quondam Ecclesie Sarum Episcopum, et precipue eiusdem fundatorem, cuius virtutes egregias preclaraque merita vestra beatitudo in minori, sicut accepimus, existens officio, ex speciali dicti predecessoris commissione legit et videt compendiosum et notabile de prius habitis in Romana curia temporibus diuersorum summorum pontificum actis in ea parte et processibus summarium compilando. Ex quorum actorum et processuum serie sanctitatem vestram intellexisse, non ambigimus, quod dictus Osmundus gloriosus Christi confessor eo dignius meruit a terrigenis honorari, quo pater eternus in sanctis suis vere mirabilis ipsum maiori splendore miraculorum illustrans luculenter ostendit, quantum sibi honoris et reuerencie debeatur. Eia igitur, pater sancte, est negocium huiusmodi diuina, vti creditur, disposicione vsque ad vestre beatitudinis tempora reseruatum, eadem beatitudo ex plenitudine potestatis celitus sibi concesse expedicioni iam sine vlteriori dilacione committat, nec animos nostros eius rei causa in suspenso manere diucius patiatur. Nam et patres olim antiqui, qui pre viuebant, scientes ex vaticiniis prophetarum Christum humanam suscepturum carnem, aduentum eius desideranter expectabant, singuli in oracionibus suis dicentes, Quando nascetur putas durabo! O si hic me inueniet illa natiuitas putas durabo! O si hic me inueniet illa natiuitas! Sic vniuersus Regni Anglie populus, et precipue peculiares et ministri dicte ecclesie Sarum preteriti et moderni, feruenti desiderio canonizacionem ipsius Osmundi diu postulati sunt, et cotidianis adhuc suspiriis postulantur, dignetur idcirco vestre sanctitatis clemencia regias ac prelatorum et magnatum dicti Regni Anglie ad prefatam curiam huius negocii causa sepenumero transmissas intercessiones, simul et has singulares preces nostras in tante exaudicionis graciam admittere, et quemadmodum ille senex Symeon iustus et timoratus responso spiritus sancti intelligens se non moriturum donec videret Christum dominum, cum suscepisset ipsum in vlnas ait, Domine nunc dimittis seruum tuum in pace. Ita vestra Sanctitas nos deuotissimos eiusdem oratores ab hac precamur luce migrare non sinat priusquam literis et operibus suis sentire et videre possimus memoratum Osmundum Sanctorum Cathologo, prout meretur, ascribi, hoc in facto ad laudem et

gloriam dei multorumque Christicolarum consolacionem sanctitas vestra nos in optata domini meritis pace constituet, et nos ipsam ac succcssores suos ab vlteriori pro hac re precum instancia in pace dimittemus. Postremo huius sancti negocii apud beatitudinem vestram et alios patres interesse habentes sollicitatores
12 *b* existent honorabiles viri deuoti eiusdem oratores et curtisani, Magistri Iohannes Laxe et Thomas Hope, legum doctores et procuratores nostri, quos in prosecucione materie illius recommissos habere et graciose expeditos ad partes remittere dignatur; et velit prefata beatitudo quam ad apostolice sedis honorem et vniuersalis ecclesie commodum in prosperis diu conseruet cuius in terris vices geritis Ihesus Christus. Scriptum in domo capitulari dicte ecclesie Sarum xiii^mo^ Septembris 1455^to^.

E. v. s. humillimi seruitores et oratores continui decanus et capitulum ecclesie vestre Sarum.

[16 *September*, 1455. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to John Lax.*]

Egregio legum doctori M. I. Laxe amico nostro carissimo.

Post optatam vestri hominis vtriusque salutem, mittimus cum latore presentium caritati vestre procuratorium et literam, cum copia eiusdem directa pape pro expedienda suis et nostris temporibus beati Osmundi Canonizacione; cuius litere duplicatam destinabimus vobis per mercatores de medicis, quamprimum intellexerimus per literas vestras, nobis de curia transmittendas, vos illuc applicuisse incolumem. Restat vt prudencia vestra, in qua singulariter confidimus, circa prosecucionem dicti negocii solerte inuigilet, sic quod per ipsius materie expedicionem solicitudo vestra a deo meritum et penes eum assiduum intercessorem, de eo cuius res agitur, ac laudes a nobis et successoribus nostris perpetuas consequatur. Valete feliciter. Ex Sarum xvi^mo^ die Septembris 1455.

Decanus et Capitulum
Ecclesie Sarum.

[21 *September*, 1455. *Letter from John Lax to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Reuerendis patribus et dominis domino decano et Capitulo maioris ecclesie Sarum dominis suis precipuis.

Venerabiles et prestantissimi patres et domini mei, post humilem recommendacionem, Accepi honorandi patres procuratorium pariter et literas ad S[anctissimum] p[atrem] doctissime et sapientissime dictitatas, prout comprehendi ex copia earumdem. Pro parte domini mei Episcopi nulle michi allate sunt, quamquam oblate premisse et a me hiis diebus satis expectate fuerunt, sed alio itur. Ego curabo et operam dabo, quoad industria et vires suppetent, et res ex voto succedat, neque animum a rei prosecucione auocabit notoria atque evidens ingratitudo eius qui multis optimis respectibus merita et grata obsequia mea longe aliter suscepisse quam suscepit, et me pocius exhortari quam deortari meamque deuocionem incendere pocius quam extinguere debuisset. Sed quid est, venerabiles patres, agam que potero queque volet altissimus, quod reliquum est committam maiestati sue que vestras venerabiles p[aternitates] summa in felicitate conseruet, et post hanc vitam producat ad beatam. Ex London xxi° Septembris.

Vestrarum dominacionum

Seruitor Ioh : Lax etc.

Recepta xxiiii^to^ Septembris per decanum, Cancellarium, Paslew, Cranborn, Trovy, Wytby, et Drew,[a] et perlecta,

[12 *January*, $145\frac{5}{6}$. *Letter from the Pope to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Litera apostolica directa domino decano et capitulo Sarum. 13

Calistus Episcopus, seruus seruorum dei, dilectis filiis decano et Capitulo Ecclesie Sarisberiensis Salutem apostolicam benedictionem. Reddidit nobis literas vestras dilectus filius Ioh. Lax, legum doctor, Secretarius noster, et procurator vester non minus diligens quam fidelis, quo vestris verbis referente multa audiuimus de vestro desiderio Canonizationis bone memorie Osmundi, Olim

[a] Preb. of Yatesbury March 1st, and Preb. of Lyme and Halstock March 2nd, 1453.

Sarisberiensis Ecclesie Episcopi; fueruntque eius rei Colloquia eo nobis intellectu faciliora quod cum nobis in minoribus constitutis Idem Iohannes de ipsa re sepenumero locutus fuit, licet nunc diligentiore ac grauiori quodam modo tanquam vestre qui bene ostendat se diu apud vos conuersatum fuisse. Eandem rem cum instantia et sollicitudine pertractarit, fueruntque nobis gratissima eaque alias ex parte audita. Idem Iohannes nunc replicauit cum aliorum commemoratione multorum de graciis quas apparet omnipotentem deum viri illius optimi intercessione et meritis concessisse, vt illum credamus bonum in celis locum inter sanctos dei fuisse promeritum. Res vero ista sicut nostis omnium est maxima, et quam cum venerabilibus fratribus nostris Sancte Romane Ecclesie Cardinalibus diligenter tractari oportebat, quos repetita relatione nostra alias facta faciliores credimus inuenire. Nostri enim esset desiderii laudare deum in huius meritis et honorare Ecclesiam Anglicanam, presertim Sarisberiensem, Cui talem pastorem habere contigerit, prout vobis copiosius scribet Idem secretarius noster et procurator vester, quem suis meritis commendatum habere debebitis. Datum Rome apud Sanctum Petrum Anno Incarnationis dominice M° CCCCL^mo quinto xii^mo Kalendas Ianuarii Pontificatus nostri anno primo.

[6 *January*, 145$\frac{5}{6}$. *Letter from John Lax to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Copia litere Iohannis Lax legum doctoris etc. directe honorabilibus viris domino decano et capitulo Sarum, per eosdem recepta xxiiii^to Marcii anno domini 1455^to per manus discreti viri domini Hugonis Spaldyng.

Suprascriptio

Venerabilibus in Christo patribus et dominis domino decano et Capitulo Ecclesie Sarum dominis suis plurimum honorandis.

Suis venerabilibus in Christo patribus et dominis domino decano et Capitulo Ecclesie Sarum humilem recommendationem. Quoniam venerabiles patres michi ante hec fidem dederitis in procuratione et prosecutione canonizationis beatissimi Osmundi, Olim vestre Ecclesie Gloriosissimi antistitis, meque nedum ad

illud sed ad omne obsequium vestris paternitatibus et eadem Ecclesia dignum liberalitate et beneficentia astrinxeritis. Valde decet vt pro virili mutua corespondeam caritate, et me talem erga vestras paternitates exhibeam qualem me esse voluistis. Propositis desideriis et peticionibus regiis coram sanctissimo patre nostro proximus sermo fuit de beatissimo Osmundo et quanta essent illius merita, quo sicut in celis ita et in terris digna Christifidelium veneratione coleretur, ad longum repetita fuere. Placuit e.s. patri ea renouari, et ad memoriam reduci, que iam dudum de eodem beatissimo Osmundo magno cum labore et studio lucubrauerat. Audiebat attento spiritu et longe attentiori que de nouo exposueram oculata veritate comperta ac post multa que, tam de meritis quam demeritis eiusdem cause, hincinde fuere exposita, visum fuit e. sanctitati securiori et laudabiliori parti inhibere et placuit dicte sanctitati procedere ad finalem expeditionem canonizationis eiusdem gloriosi viri, Committens in onus significandi paternitatibus vestris modum et ordinem procedendi in solempnitate antedicta, prout hoc et alia ex apostolicis literis ad e[asdem] p[aternitates] inpresentiarum per bancum Raynaldi de Baroncellis transmissis, et per discretum virum Dominum Hugonem Spaldyng consignandis, constabit apertius. Ecce dignissimi patres quam admirabilis est deus in sanctis suis, qui ad sui laudem et gloriam, et permaximam quoque ni fallor vestrorum animorum consolationem, huius arduissimi negocii sententiam, quam nemo hucusque attigere potuit, in vestra tempora reseruauit. Pro maturatione negocii volui petiisse nouum commissarium sanctissimi patris loco, Item exhibuisse et repetiisse retroacta et gesta, plura fortasse quam presentibus commemorem scripsisse, verum quia tempora huiuscemodi sunt vt que in bonam partem et bono animo fiunt sinistra interpretatione et obloquio minime carent. Et fama est Reuerendissimum in Christo patrem dominum meum Episcopum Sarum, quem meam paruitatem pocius reuereri quam offendere decet, huius rei curam in se sumpsisse. Idque de magis verum esse puto, quod premissas literas sanctissimo patri tribuendas nusquam dederit, Idcirco ausus non sum vlterius nimium progredi, michi vero venerabiles patres non displicuit vnquam quod vel alios in hoc opere vel me aliis adiunxerit. Profuit tamen fortasse hac vice solum cum solo sermonem habuisse, sed quod sua paternitas me abiecerat post tot labores susceptos de tanta ingratitudine querelam feci. Scripsisset ad

eundem Reuerendum Dominum Episcopum Sanctissimus pater, sed quia non attuli literas sue dominacionis ex nunc scribere distulit. Curabo inducere sanctitatem suam vt scribat, quo facto, Ego de vlteriori huius rei sancte expeditione necnon de mente sanctissimi patris plura aperiam, me vero Reuerendissimo domino meo vestrisque paternitatibus reuerendis deuote commendo, quas in optata vtriusque hominis salute conseruet in longissima tempora.

Rome vi° Januarii M° iiii^{c} lvi.

Earumdem Reuerendarum paternitatum.

Seruitor et procurator Ioh. Lax s[anctissimi] d[omini] n[ostri] pape indignus secretarius.

13 *b* Memorandum quod dominus decanus et Capitulum miserunt dictam literam apostolicam et copiam litere M. J. Lax Domino Episcopo Sarum cum litera Credencie danda M. R. Whitby et S. Houchyns latoribus earumdem.

[29 *March* 1456 *Letter from the Dean & Chapter to the Bishop.*]

Post humillimas recommendationes ; accepimus, Reuerende pater, proximis hiis diebus, certas de Romana Curia literas, prout ex copiis earumdem, quas dilecti Confratres nostri Magistri Ricardus Whitby et Symon Houchyns harum latores paternitati vestre tradent, constabit apercius. Commisimus ipsis confratribus nostris aliqua in scriptis per viam credencie, aperienda dicte paternitati vestre humiliter supplicantes vt ipsos fauorabiliter audire, ac eis plenam in nostra ex parte dicendis fidem dare, et ad exponenda per eos nobis in scriptis respondere dignetur et velit vestre nobilitatis Clementia, quam diu conseruet in prosperis ineffabilis Gracia Saluatoris. Ex Sarum xxix mensis Marcii 1456to.

E. v. p.

Capellani et oratores continui decanus et capitulum ecclesie vestre Sarum.

[1 *April* 1456. *Letter from the Bishop to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Sequitur responsiua eiusdem Reuerendi patris directa domino decano et capitulo, Recepta in pleno capitulo iii^tio^ Aprilis 1456^to^.

Suprascriptio

Dilectis filiis et confratribus nostris decano et capitulo Ecclesie nostre Cathedralis Sarum.

Honorabiles viri dilecti filii et Confratres, literas vestras acceptissimas nobis per magistros Ricardum Whitby et Symonem Hochyns, nostros confratres et vestros nuncios, transmissas legimus, et spiritus in feruore perlegimus, quibus nobis credentiam omnem atque fidem predictis nunciis prebere voluistis. Ipsi nos decus illud scriptum sanctissimi nostri patris in pia illa causa canonizationis beati Osmundi presenarunt, nil nobis optatius nec affectabilius ipso beato teste presentare potuerunt. Gaudebat et sanguis, feruor et spiritus ardebat. Quid vltra eventus rei edocebit? Commendo memorie primam nostram mutuam communicationem ipso in negocio, confratris quotam pollicitam, et videmus sanctissimi patris senectutem, sic quod cum tempus nobis assisterit idoneum felix festinansque remedium ordinandum est. Intendebamus, arduis negociis interim occupati, post quindenam nostram presentiam vobis prestare, sed si res ista maiorem festinanciam voluerit fiat nuncium, ceteris et omissis vobiscum erimus. Absit a seculo hoc negocium nostra negligencia in moram trahi, dum calor est et pulcra dies etc. Concipimus quod pecunie parande sunt, igitur detis operam vt parentur. Sine dubio est quod singuli canonici singulam quotam libenter conferrent, Non tamen sic festinanter colligi potest, fiat ergo per nos prouisio donec preparari de omni potest, et quod fieri potest cum festinancia fiat nobis verbum, deque residuo et si de toto preparabimus. Nam, in verbo, ipsas pecunias quas ad manus tenemus, necnon ad singula iocalia impignoranda, animo leto prompta manu optima voluntate exponemus necnon et pignori dabimus, in nobis ad omnes vires nullum erit obstaculum. Aliud et nobis enuclearunt vestri nuncii quod literas nos non scripsimus sanctissimo patri nostro pape, vere scripsimus harumque copias ille sagax atque peritus vir M. J. Lax habet ad manus, verumtamen quidquid per nos dictaturum acturum vel facturum sit,

siue sanctissimo patri, siue Lax, siue alteri cuiquam, detis nobis, et omnia perficere pollicemur vltra, et si ipsi Lax, si negocium expedierit, in patrimonio ecclesie ad omnem pietatem nostram contribuere in Christo vobis promittimus nostra fide. Sed cum nostros affectus hoc in pacto scribere vltra humanum modum sit obnixe precamur quatinus vestros nuncios reuerentes vestros acceptare dignemini, quibus in singulis fidem dare curetis. Nil vlterius in memoria est, sed felici negocio simus vni subsidiantes. Et vos in meritis huius felicitet altissimus. Ex Sonyng primo die mensis Aprilis.

R. Beuchamp
Episcopus Sarum.

[13 *April*, 1456. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to the Bishop.*]

14 Memorandum quod dominus decanus et Capitulum miserunt dilectum Confratrem suum M. Radulphum Drew ii^da^ vice domino Episcopo Sarum cum litera.

Reuerendo in Christo patri D.R.B. Ecclesie Sarum Episcopo domino nostro Singularissimo.

Post recommendationes humiles ac deuotas ; attulerunt nobis Reuerende pater iii^cio^ die instantis Aprilis Confratres nostri Magistri Ricardus Whitby et Symon Hochyns honorabiles vestre dominationis literas, ex quarum serie concepimus ardentem animum quem habetis ad celerem canonizationis beati Osmundi expeditionem, Offerendo vos scribere sanctissimo patri et Magistro Iohanni Lax, procuratori vestro ac nostro, quod multum prodesse debet, quibus nos etiam iam scribimus pro acceleratione dicte expeditionis, sub ea forma quam paternitati vestre dilectus confrater noster M. R. Drew, presentium lator, ostendet. Ad hec magnifice et liberaliter obtulistis contributionem facere pro sumptibus ad causam oportunis, volendo quod nos indilatam pro parte nostra pecuniarum similiter pensionem faceremus. Fecimus quidem singuli et vltra quotas nos concernentes iam plene solutas, modus inuentus est ordinandi certam summam ad curiam per viam cambii celeriter destinandam, cum instructione prefato procuratori in scriptis directa, cuius singulos articulos

expediens nobis videtur eundem procuratorem obseruare debere. Restat vt vestra paternitas contribuat quantum placet, ac faciat confratres nostros eiusdem paternitatis lateribus adherentes siue vlteriori dilatione soluere quotas suas. Adest nunc tempus idoneum viriliter aggrediendi rem hanc, dum Calistus noster superest et ideo nemo cupiens felicem huius rei exitum differre potest vlterius solutionem quote sue. Alia singula per nos ordinata et dictum negotium tangencia nuncii nostri relatione percipiet memorata vestra paternitas, quam ad eximium decus Sarum Ecclesie diu conseruet in prosperis filius virginis gloriose. Scriptum in domo Capitulari Ecclesie vestre Sarum xiii^mo^ die mensis Aprilis 1456^to^.

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Capellani et Oratores domini
Decanus et Capitulum Ecclesie vestre Sarum.

[19 *April* 1456. *Letter from the Bishop to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Sequitur responsiua E[gregii] R[euerendi] p[atris] ad eandem.

Prestantissimi domini dilecti filii et confratres, post dei et nostram benediccionem optimas salutes. Literas et nuncium dilectum filium et confratrem magistrum Radulphum Drew acceptauimus, promptis quoque auribus audiuimus et intelleximus e quibus magnam illam constanciam atque benevolos animos considerare plene poterimus penes beatum Osmundum, quem spiritualibus disponitis honoribus venerari, et nos, ceteris mundi rebus perfugatis, nil amplius ipso teste desiderii habemus, quam quod Idem Osmundus gloriose sublimatus beatis cum deo in celis, a nobis veneretur in terris, et vt non verba sed facta testimonium fidele prestent, quidquid vel literis vel vocis organo predictum est plenius perimpleuimus. Et licet non paucos sumptus literas adipiscendo inter magnates et ciuitatem London, necnon in nunciis nostris hactenus exposuimus si necesse vobis visum sit nec nostris nec nobis circumstantium laboribus parcatis, obnixe precamur, Vlterius de confratribus vestris qui vobiscum resident, ne sit timor, nam cum ad nos accesserint dabimus eisdem monitiones, et licet eorum quidam labores magnos nostro mandato circa premissa habuerint, bene cognoscimus nichilo-

minus non dimittent suam quotam, sed eam plenam persoluent, et in breui ad honorem huius beati et decorem nostre ecclesie, vos prosperet qui in sanctis gloriatur. Ex manerio nostro de Sunyngg xix^mo^ mensis Aprilis.

Ricardus Beuchamp Sarum Episcopus.

Suprascriptio, predilectis nobis in Christo filiis et confratribus decano et capitulo ecclesie nostre Cathedralis Sarum.

[*Letter from the Bishop to the Pope.*]

14 *b* Copia litere domini R. B. Episcopi Sarum directa summo pontifici.

Sanctissimo in Christo patri et domino nostro Calisto Sacrosancte Romane ac vniuersalis Ecclesie summo pontifici.

Post deuotissima pedum Oscula beatorum, legi, pater sancte, iucundo nuper animo illos vestre sublimitatis apices, quos beatitudo vestra confratribus meis decano et Capitulo Ecclesie vestre Sarum super materia canonizacionis bone memorie Osmundi, Olim ipsius ecclesie pastoris, scribere dignata est ; que tamen in quibus dictis confratribus meis materiam attulerunt gaudii singularis. Ex earum namque tenore clare nobis innotuit primum beneuolum gratum atque sanctum animum, diuinitus, vt speramus, vobis esse datum ab ipso immortali Cuius altitudo prudentie nullis limitibus nullisque terminis comprehenditur, quem habetis laudandi eundem in dicti Osmundi meritis et honorandi prefatam ecclesiam, Cui Idem Osmundus prefuit dum viuebat. Ingens quoque opus in minoribus inchoatum studiis solicitis vt sonoris commendetur. Idem beatus preconiis prosequi non desistentem Igitur cum ad sacre huius vestre benigne voluntatis completionem sufficiat vestre sanctitatis auctoritas, Cui ego hoc in pacto scripturas sepe multas necnon de leticia in data vltra solitos hominum mores, Cum Sancte Romane Ecclesie Cardinales tantum tam circumspectum ac singularum illum decretorum doctorem in vniuersalem patrem assumpserunt, ante seculis scripseram michi tum dubium an ad sacras manus aduenerunt precor itidem humiliter Ego deuotissimus eiusdem sanctitatis

Orator et dicti Osmundi, dei et apostolice sedis graciam, in memorata ecclesia licet indignus successor, quatinus beatitudo vestra rem hanc, annis pluribus expectatam, ob reuerentiam dei qui in sanctis suis mirabilis apparere desiderat, et laudari debite et celeri expeditioni mandare velitis, vt populus vulgaris Regni Anglie, dictum Osmundum pro sancto iam reputans, ob grandia et evidencia miracula que eius meritis frequenter ostensa sunt, vestra et dicte sedis auctoritate suam erga ipsum beatum virum deuotionem vite continuare valeat. Cuius cum expedita fuerit rei pretextu beatitudo vestra ipsum cuius res agitur assiduum pro eadem sanctitate intercessorem habebit in celis, et innumeros perpetuis futuris temporibus oratores in partibus Anglicanis. Ex Sonnyng.

[5 *May*, 1456. *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to the Pope.*]

Copia litere decani et Capituli Ecclesie Sarum directa summo pontifici.

Sanctissimo domino nostro pape.

Post deuota terre oscula apostolicos ante pedes. Venerunt ad manus nostras, beatissime pater, in festo paschali proximo lapso, vestre sanctitatis apices, quibus lectis debitas egimus altissimo gracias prestanti nobis ipsius festi solennia celebrantibus duplicem materiam rationabiliter exultandi. Gauisi namque primo fuimus ut omnes qui Christiana professione censentur gaudere conuenit de commemoratione quam vniuersalis tunc facit Ecclesia resurrectionis Domini Nostri Ihesu Christi ad vitam de morte, quam pro redemptione humani generis misericorditer subiit, et pacientissime tolerauit, letati preterea fuimus vehementer in hiis quo vestra beatitudo mente habere et nobis dictis apicibus significare dignata est de nostro scilicet desiderio obtinendo canonizationis bone memorie Osmundi, olim Sarum Ecclesie Episcopi, de graciis etiam et miraculis que omnipotens deus viri illius optimi meritis et intercessione frequenter operatus est. Adeo quod sanctitas vestra que, dum in minoribus constitueretur, causam Canonizationis huiusmodi tangentibus legit et citra audiuit, credat illum, vti nos firmiter credimus, bonum inter

sanctos dei premeruisse locum, hiis verbis literarum vestrarum serie descriptis et nostris auribus insonantibus spiritus interiores corporum nostrorum post longa suspiria nouo et incredibili quodam perfusi sunt gaudio nec mirandum. A multis etenim retro annis res hec temporibus diuersorum summorum pontificum temptata est, et non aliter de verisimili quam negligentia antecessorum nostrorum in longum ducta, nec vnquam apud Romanam curiam bene digesta fuit, donec gratiose veniret in sanctissimas manus vestras. Arbitramur idcirco, et quasi pro certo tenemus, veluti priores litere vestre beatitudini a nobis transmisse commemorant, expeditionem huius rei divina ordinatione fuisse in vestri summi pontificatus tempora reseruatam. Et quia res ista, vt vestris habetur literis, omnium maxima est, Placuit ei, cuius in terris vicem iam tenetis, vos inter cunctos huius seculi viatores supremum et maximum facere, vt auctoritate celitus vobis commissa rem hanc, que de maximis est, expeditioni daretis, velit igitur et dignetur vestra sancta clementia desiderium quod dictis literis se habere fatetur laudandi deum in dicti Osmundi meritis, et honorandi per eum Saresburiensem Ecclesiam per canonizationem eiusdem celeri et felici expeditioni mandare ; hoc enim facto memoria illius digno celebrabitur cum honore, Et Recordatio vestri nominis erit apud deum et homines, presertim Anglicane nationis, perpetua benedictione quam per medium Canonizationis huiusmodi vestram beatitudinem promereri et assequi concedat ille qui caput honor et gloria omnium est sanctorum. Postremo Rogamus humiliter sanctitatem vestram, quatinus honorabilem virum M. Iohannem Lax, legum doctorem et eiusdem sanctitatis secretarium, et nostrum in dicta causa procuratorem, habere dignetur in omnibus, et presertim in prosecutione ipsius cause, fauorabiliter recommissum. Scriptum in domo Capitulari dicte ecclesie Sarum 5^to^ die mensis Maii 1456^to^.

E. v. s.

Humillimi seruitores et oratores
continui decanus et Capitulum
Ecclesie vestre Sarum.

[26 *May* 1456 *Letter from the Dean & Chapter to John Lax.*]

Copia litere domini Decani et Capituli directe M. I. Lax legum doctori s. d. n. pape Secretario.

Honorabili viro M. I. Lax Anglico legum doctori s. d. n. pape secretario Amico nostro carissimo.

Honorabilis vir, Amice noster carissime, post missas mille salutes. Reddite nobis sunt x Kal : Aprilis, per manus discreti Capellani vestri domini Hugonis Spaldyng, tam apostolice quam vestre litere, ex quarum tenoribus satis evidenter apparuerunt et diligens labor vester et fides, presertim in prolixo sermone habito cum beatissimo patre de recolende memorie nostro Osmundo eiusque meritis ita efficaciter quod placuit tandem sanctitati sue procedere ad finalem expeditionem canonizationis ipsius gloriosi viri, Committendo vobis onus significandi nobis modum et ordinem procedendi in solemnitate ad canonizationem huiusmodi requisita. De ipsis tamen modo et ordine nichil a vobis preter hec verba hucusque recepimus, de quo miramur. Dolemus quod timore obloquiarum, aut alia quauis occasione, distulistis petere nouum Commissarium Sanctissimi patris loco, et exhibere repetere retroacta, nam, considerata matura eius etate, res hec omnem accelerationem desiderat ; quamdiu enim in humanis egerit optimam de expeditione spem habebimus, si obierit desperabimus. Nec vos retrahere debuit, seu debet, a festina prosecutione dicte cause suspicio queuis informatio ve sinistra alicuius forsan suggerentis Reuerendum in Christo patrem dominum nostrum Sarum Episcopum huius rei curam diuisim et particulariter in se sumpsisse, misimus namque paternitati sue copias tam apostolicarum quam vestrarum literarum, que sibi acceptissime fuerant, in tam quod literis suis nobis rescriptis hortabatur nos rem istam in bonis suo iudicio iam terminis existentem modis omnibus nobis possibilibus ad finem prosequi, pollicendo se verbo scripto et impensa pro viribus acturum quecunque ad ipsius negocii expeditionem conferre possent, sicut ex suis vobis literis et aliarum s. d. n. per eum scriptarum copiis per bancum de Medicis inde missis constabit apertius. Restat igitur vt in laboribus per vos notabiliter inceptis constanti perseueretis, animo recepturi per bancum mercatorum de Medicis, iuxta instructionem cum hiis missam, de tempore in tempus sumptus necessarios vt cursus rei exiget, donec optatum perducatur ad finem, quem speramus nos cito per

operam et diligentiam vestras habituros, attenta optima dispositione s. d. n. Cuius in hac vita dies Altissimus faciat longeuos, ac personam vestram diu nobis conseruet incolumis. Scriptum in domo nostra capitulari xxvi^to^ die mensis Maii 1456^to^. Mirabimini fortassis quod post s. d. n. ac dictarum literarum vestrarum receptionem vobis rescribere et ad rei nostre expeditionem necessaria transmittere tantum distulerimus, Omnis tamen vestre huiusmodi admirationis occasio cessabit si solita vestra prudentia animaduertere velitis instabilem huius mundi statum, presertim apud nos, quod dolenter referimus, vti non dubitamus vos ante hos dies aliorum scripturis et relationibus audiuisse. Moram igitur modici ex dicta causa lapsi temporis redimere et purgare volentes, conuenimus cum Symone Nory, mercatore Florentino, pro mercatoribus existentibus de Societate de Medicis respondente in regno Anglie, quod ordinabit nunc expensis nostris specialem cursorem et nuncium pro portitura literarum et aliarum scripturarum nostrarum, qui omni celeritate possibili ibi primo de London Bruges et postea taliter laborabit quod in xx^ti^ diebus ibit de Bruges Romam. Curetis idcirco precamur, nos literis vestris certos reddere si cursor ipse pacta seruauerit, et quo die receperitis presentes, ac alia in instructione descripta a mercatoribus supradictis. Scriptum in domo nostra etc

[1] Decanus et Capitulum
Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum.

[*Meeting of the Chapter.*]

Tercio die mensis Aprilis Anno domini 1456^to^ Magistri Gilbertus Kymer decanus, Nicholaus Vpton precentor, Iohannes Paslew, W. Ingram, Iohannes Cranborn, Ricardus Whitby, Ricardus Trovy, Willelmus Crowton, et Radulphus Drew, Canonici et Residenciarii Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum, in domo Capitulari dicte ecclesie Capitulariter congregati, rogauerunt Magistrum Andream Holes, Confratrem eorum eiusdem Ecclesie Cancellarium, tunc inter eos presentem, vt ipse conciperet literas et instructiones diuersas pro canonizatione bone memorie

[1] This letter originally ended with the date, and the subscription was written a little below it. The rest of the letter or postscrtpt is written round the subscription.

Osmundi, quondam dicte Ecclesie Episcopi, nomine decani et confratrum suorum predictorum ad Romanam Curiam transmittendas. Qui magister Andreas onus faciendi literas et instructiones huiusmodi in se assumere promisit et assumpsit, eo tamen pacto vel conditione, quod nulla culpa imputaretur eidem M. Andree propter aliquam literam aut instructionem huiusmodi per eum conceptam, aut ob aliquem sinistrum superuenientem casum, quod quidem pactum et conditionem decanus ac omnes et singuli confratres sui suprascripti concorditer admiserunt. Coram quibus omnes prefate litere et instructiones erant diuersis vicibus lecte antequam sigillarentur, et eorum consensu vnanimi approbato.

[28 *January*, $145\frac{5}{6}$. *Letter from the Pope to the Bishop of Salisbury.*]

Copia litere pape Calisti directe sub plumbo Reuerendo in Christo patri et domino domino Ricardo Beuchamp Sarum Episcopo. 15 *b*

Calistus Episcopus, seruus seruorum dei, Venerabili fratri Ricardo Episcopo Sarisberiensi salutem graciam et benedictionem. Non dubitamus tuam fraternitatem esse memorem nos in minoribus constitutos tractasse negocium canonizationis beati Osmundi, quo in negocio multa vidimus legimusque adeo nobis grata vt dulcissima adhuc nobis sit ipsorum memoria, super qua re cum literas nuper nobis attulerit ab ecclesie tue capitulo dilectus secretarius noster Johannes Lax eas libenter legimus, et valde mirati sumus nullas a fraternitate tua nobis super inde redditas esse ; eo maxime quia idem secretarius, inter multa de tui generis nobilitate eminenti sciencia ac morum grauitate, deque edificiis, et reparationibus palatiorum et maneriorum tuorum, continuaque in tua diocesi residentia ac omni gubernatione bonorum tue ecclesie in tuam laudem narrauit ; etiam incidenter dixit tuam fraternitatem sibi pollicitam fuisse literas superinde ad nos deferendas, et eas postmodum non dedisse vt suspicari cogamur ne tantam rem dicti secretarii nostri opera et solicitudine in bonos terminos conductam cogites per alium eo postposito apud nos et in nostra curia agitari. Qua in re minus grate facere videreris, cum hic, preterquam quod rem ipsam diu antea tractauit, modos curie adeo nouerit, vt in predicta re

aliisque arduis nullum eius regni viderimus aptiorem. Esset preterea indignum, post multos diuturnosque labores per eum in dicto negocio impensos, eum reicere aliumque proponere qui fructus laborum suorum preripiat, Ipseque honore et gracia defraudetur. Nam e contrario pocius a tua fraternitate et omnibus aliis regni prelatis ac principibus, multo melius solito honorari ac ad altiora extolli promeretur, cum vobis omnibus tue fraternitate presertim et toti regno diligenter vtiliterque apud nos seruiat, super qua re carissimo in Christo filio nostro regi scripsimus et amplius scribere curabimus. Et ea propter vt dictum secretarium nostrum tantas de tua fraternitate laudes predicantem, et tuo ac ecclesie tue honori ex animo deditum, in omnibus illius promotionem et honorem concernentibus, carum et recommissum habeas; eandemque fraternitatem affectuose rogamus, requirimus, et in domino exortamur, qua in re nobis rem certe gratissimam tuoque honori corespondentem haud dubie efficies. Ceterum audito secretario nostro predicto multa et magna, preter ea que ex retroactis videmus, de meritis dicti gloriosi Osmundi referente et significante, quam vehementer incenderemus animos Christifidelium illius regni ad deuotionem, si peroptatam canonizationem illiusque expeditionem recommissam haberemus, quantum denique honoris et fame ecclesie tue tibique esset allatura. Hiis, pluribusque aliis, bonis rationibus suis moti, maturabimus rem gerendam, et collatione habita cum venerabilibus fratribus nostris sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinalibus, prout res tanta requirit, ad condecentem expeditionem procedemus, prout ex eiusdem secretarii nostri relatione mentem nostram plenius sibi expositam clarius intelliges. Tum itaque erit, venerabilis frater, vniuersalis ecclesie et Christiane religionis instantes oportunitates habere commendatas. Nos vero exercitus terra et mari classes ingentes parauimus, quo inhumanem Christiani nominis hostem Turchum non repellamus solum set etiam penitus deleamus. Cuius rei, si fauorem et operam sicut speramus suo tempore impenderis, efficaces preter remunerationem nostram et apostolice sedis benedictionem et graciam tuorum remissionem peccatorum pariter et beatam vitam in tanti beneficii recompensam haud dubie consequeris. Datum Rome apud Sanctum Petrum Anno Incarnationis dominice M°CCCCL^mo quinto Quinto kalendas Februarii pontificatus nostri anno primo.

[23 *July*, 1456. *Letter from John Lax to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Copia literarum vna cum instructione M. J. Lax receptarum in domo Capitulari ix Septembris 1456 per A. Holes, presidentem capitulo, Cranborn, Paslew, Crowton, Whitby, et Symonem Huchons.

Venerabiles in Christo patres et domini mei post omnimodam ex animo recommendationem, xvi^mo^ huius Iulii in nocte reddite sunt michi, per mercatores de Medicis, R. domini mei Episcopi Sarum pariter et vestrarum paternitatum litere ad papam meam quoque paruitatem, cum instructionibus et hec omnia super negocio illo sancto Canonizacionis beati Osmundi. Eram precinctus ad exeundum vrbem quia non sum bone valetudinis, viget pestis. Sanctissimus pater cum cardinali Ruteno soli resident, Reuerendissimus dominus Firmanus quasi in itinere est. Disponat quid velit deus et ille vir sanctus cuius causam agito, residere decreui. Die dominica sequenti xix^na^ hora habuisse accessum ad Sanctissimum patrem, lectis literis, que valde placuere, de ingratitudine et indeuotione regni non paucis suspiriis exorsus est, quod non satis dignus de quo omnes nos dolere poterimus ad suam Sanctitatem et Ecclesie Romane statum respectus habebatur; tandem propositis per me multis meritis cause et aliis adminiculis, sermo omnis rediit ad gloriosum 16
Osmundum, adeo suauis, adeo per omnia placabilis, quasi relatio consistoralis, quam fecerat hesterna, fuisset. Petebat sua sanctitas si documentum aliquod haberemus de recentioribus miraculis, et quare dominus Rex non scripserat. Respondi prout melius potui, repetebam responsa que alias eadem sanctitas in minoribus constituta dederat venerabili M. Symoni confratri vestro michi etiam aliquando instanti, que idem magister Symon quamprudenter in scriptis ad me miserat, singulariter singula fatebatur gaudens memoriam esse verborum suorum. Tandem vlterius instanti mihi pro ordine finalis expeditionis dixit sua Sanctitas, opus esse quod alius commissarius dicto domino Firmano adiungeretur, quod iam ego diu fecissem nisi ea que vere vestre paternitates diuinate sunt ad contrarium suasissent, labor meus omnis hoc vacante tempore in extraiudiciali solicitudine pro disponendo hominum mentes versatus est. In aliis continui me ne benefaciendo temeritatis accusarer. Mandauit sua

Sanctitas omnia reassumi coram dicto Reuerendissimo domino Firmano, alium commissarium in redditu Reuerendissimorum patrum qualem ego voluerim se daturum et celerem processum facturum affirmauit. Et quoniam dignissimi patres vestra gracia me solum huius negocii cure et solicitudini preficere dignati estis, non possum continere me quin aliqua familiariter et domestice eidem patri aperiam. Sumus, optimi patres mei, meo quidem iudicio, in extremitate quadam huius arduissime et per tot annorum curricula protracte canonizationis. Nolimus in hiis que oportuna sunt quouispacto sopire atque desistere, sed ita per omnia operari vt retroacta expensa, etiam si fortasse aliqua deperdita fuerint, bene saltem exposita videatur, hoc vno verbo paternitates vestras Reuerendos certissimas facio, quod tanta erit in pecuniarum conseruatione industria et in effusione prouidentia quod vere dicetis rem vestram non tam honorificentissime quam vtilissime geri; Vos ipsi iudicabitis, Ego nunquam alios iudices impetrabo. Ne ve, prestantissimi patres, ignoretis animum meum, hoc scitote, hoc animis vestris pro veritate scribite quod eo pacto quo res ipsa ad effectum ducatur de quo sique ordinauerim obseruetur minime ambigo, preter meum laborem omnem apponerem de peculio meo CXX^{ti} ducatus apponat itaque de suo vnusquisque ex dominis meis canonicis qui saltem foris sunt, quorum longe magis quam mea interesse mundus nouit, viderent paternitates vestre viderent et ipsi quam celerem expeditionem sortiretur. Hoc etiam non ignorent sapientie vestre quod Reuerendissimorum dominorum Cardinalium vota requisita sunt, prout ex sanctissimi patris verbo accepi. Obtulit tamen se eadem sanctitas in ea parte aliquos labores subiturum. Ecce benignitatem tanti patris, Cuius enim in hac re pocius est honor exhibendus quam illi qui et iudicis et partis vices suplere non dedignatur quamquam enim ita sit quod iam expeditis per eum duabus classibus terra marique contra hostes Christiani nominis, tam ante hanc dignitatem quam post acquisitam, vsque ad vestes quas, sic me deus iuuet, vidi ad legatum marittimum afferi pecunie loco, effuderit adeo quod pene ex toto consumptus sit. Adhuc nihil est sub celo quod eius animum a iusticia et ab eo quod rectum sincerumque sit retrahere poterit, ita est in virtute fundatus. Et, vt paucis vtar venerabiles patres, debitores estis et debitum altissimo cooperante peroptime absoluetis cum vestrorum et tocius capituli

Anglicani consolatione si animaduertere efficaciter volueritis ea que in interclusa cedula continentur. Tempora et pecunias nolite nimium constringere, quoniam aliorum voluntatibus subicimur, et ea diligentia adhibebitur quam magis post rem quam in re aut ante rem placituram confido. Valete dignissimi patres et domini mei precipui in longa et felicissima tempora, et per xv^{ti} dies saltem vigilate, perpetuam quietem in residuo dierum vestrorum haud dubio suscepturi. Conduxi nuncium vt in xx^{ti} diebus Calisie sit, sed ita rem conduxi vt de vestris dominationibus solum sex ducatus habiturus sit. An vester nuncius bene fecerit ex tempore iudicabitis, mercatores sua negocia gerunt, Satisfeci cursori de meo quoniam non tango pecunias in banco nisi cum tempore, pro recommendatione persone mee gracias etiam immensas habeo. Rome xxiii Julii M^{o}IIII^{c}LVI^{to}.

Vestrarum Reuerendarum paternitatum procurator
et seruitor Joh. Lax etc.

[13 *December*, 1456. *Letter from the Pope to the Bishop and Dean and Chapter.*]

Litera[a] Apostolica recepta per dominum Episcopum Decanum et Capitulum xv^{mo} Februarii 1456to et solempniter publicata. 17

Calistus Episcopus, seruus seruorum dei, venerabili fratri Ricardo ac dilectis filiis decano et Capitulo Ecclesie Sarisburiensis, Salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Venerabilis frater et dilecti filii, debetis in omnibus omnipotenti deo gracias agere qui omnia operatur et est in suis sanctis mirabilis; Cuius immensa bonitas nuper diuinitus, prout sane credendum est, illuminauit nostram omniumque venerabilium fratrum nostrorum sancte Romane ecclesie Cardinalium mentes et consciencias in concordi sentencia super canonizatione beati Osmundi, tui, venerabilis frater, predecessoris, et vestrum, dilecti filii, pastoris dignissimi. Nos quidem multa induxerunt ad hanc operationem sanctam, in qua si ad humana respectum dumtaxat habuissemus non tam faciliter processissemus ad expeditionem antedictam.

[a] There is another copy of this letter in the Registrum Rubrum, fo. 136a; it is printed in Sarum Charters, Rolls Series.

Carissimus filius noster Henricus, Rex Anglie Illustris, illud quoque regnum aliter nobiscum aliter cum predecessoribus nostris egit, de quo admiramur. Neque humana aut temporalia appetimus, sed ampliationem seu saltem conseruationem Catholice fidei. Confisi in domino nostro Ihesu Christo, Cuius necnon ecclesie sue sancte ille Carissimus filius noster, prout fideli relatione accepimus, verus cultor existit, volumus sanctum virum dei gloriosum Osmundum in ipso et nobis[a] ac cunctis fidelibus Christi honorare; ac eundem Regem Regna et dominia sua vos quidem, venerabilis frater ac dilecti filii, de quorum diocesi ipse rex est oriundus, extollere honoribus, mature ac onerosis mediis, instante dilecto filio magistro Iohanne Lax secretario nostro fideli, Regio procuratore atque vestro, magna cum instancia et prouidencia processimus, et de predictorum aliorumque venerabilium fratrum nostrorum Coepiscoporum, iuxta iuris exigenciam, ad hoc conuocatorum conclusimus super canonizatione antedicta. Et die primo mensis Ianuarii proxime venturi, spiritus sancti gracia primitus inuocata, dictam celebritatem personaliter conficere decreuimus, prout in domino dignius ac pro eiusdem Regis et regnorum ac dominiorum suorum vestreque ecclesie statu in domino salubrius conspexerimus faciendum. Ceteraque faciemus que cunctis Christifidelibus, nedum nobis, erunt consolationi futura. Hortamur itaque vos vt eleuetis in celum mentes vestras, et gracias agentes collaudetis dominum deum nostrum, Cui placuit in sancto viro suo nostra et vestra etate gloriari. Dictum quoque secretarium nostrum, quem carum habemus ob suas virtutes, recommissum habeatis, nec vulgari quidem modo, cum in se susceperit huius expeditionis pretextu magnas et ingentes curas, prout adhuc est suscepturus mandato nostro. Itaque vos habeatis vt sicut in petendo canonizationem antedictam fueritis soliciti, sic ea, dicto procuratore vestro instante, obtenta, tam in ecclesiam sanctam dei et fidei Catholice conseruationem quam alias vndique grati videamini. Et prout in aliis ante hec scripsimus, venerabilis frater, cum ad tuam fraternitatem pertinet, vos etiam, dilecti filii, intercedendo, eundem Iohannem vestro Capitulo et vestro corpori aggregantes, in patrimonio sancti Osmundi non tam contemplatione nostra quam meritorum suorum consideratione velitis honorabiliter collocare. Datum Rome apud

[a] This is printed vobis in the Sarum Charters, Rolls Series, but it is certainly nobis in this MS.

Sanctum Petrum Anno Incarnacionis dominice M° iiii° lvi^to Idus Decembris pontificatus nostri anno Secundo.

Venerabili fratri Ricardo
ac dilectis filiis decano
et Capitulo Ecclesie Sarum.

A. de Veneciis.

[*Letter from the Dean and Chapter to King Henry VIth.*]

To the most excellent Crystyn prince 19
And oure fulle dowted soverayn lord the Kyng.

Most excellent Crystyn prince and oure full dowted Soverayn lord, after due and humble recommendation, please hit vnto your hyghnesse to have in knowlage how owr holy fader the pope, for the laudable merites and grete and long continued miracles of the glorious confessour Seynt Osmund, be the inspiration as hit is to be thought of the holy gost, and also special instance and deuote supplication of your said hyghnesse, hath, with due veneration and solempnite, ascribed the said blessyd Osmund to the number of other glorious Bisshoppes Confessours and Seyntes in havene, to the corroboration of all crystyn feythe to the amplification also of the noble fame of your most hygh estate and singuler consolation as we canne thenk to your said hyghnesse and to all the suggetts of this your noble reame. And moreover grete and perpetuall worship to this your church of Sarum. Whiche gift of God and of our said holy fader his vicar in erthe is so grete, that hit passeth owre simple powers for to gif due and corespondent thankyngs to his holynesse and to the most worshipfull College of his Cardinalls. For so moche like as in the begynnyng of the said mater hit pleasid your gode and speciall grace to write tenderly for thexpedition therof to the hygh Court of Rome, consideryng how throwgh your said wrytyng and instance hit is brought now to a gode and parfit conclusion, beseche your gracious hyghnesse that at the reuerence of God, and of the said holy confessour Seynt Osmund, hit may please yow to write and directe your speciall regratiatory lettres, as wele to owr said holy fader as to the forsaid reuerent College of Cardinalls, for the grete grace and beneuolence whiche thay have now signally showed abowte the long desired expedition of the said mater. And also graciously to have recommended

vnto your Excellence the gode and the effectuall devoyr which that your clerc and owr worshipfull Brother and procuratour in this mater, Maister Joh : Lax, hath done ; to thentent that your habundant grace may be thenkfull vnto hym for the fullefyllyng of your high commaundement in that be half. So that we yowr powre clerkes and creatures may, as wele therfor as for other many and grete benefeites showed vnto vs in tyme passed, be bownde to pray contynually for the prosperite of your excellente and most noble estate, whiche our lord by the merytes of his said glorious confessour maynteyne ever in all honur and worship to the wellfare of your noble estate and defense yoie and gladnesse of all your suggetts.

[27 *June* 1457. *Letter from the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter to the Pope.*]

19 *b* Sanctissimo domino nostro pape

Post deuota terre oscula apostolicos ante pedes. Iam satis nos tue beatitudinis oratores vixisse arbitramur, Beatissime pater, dum felicem diu prestolate et iam tandem de tue sanctitatis gracia expedite canonizationis gloriosissimi presulis et confessoris Osmundi diem illuxisse conspicimus. Nostri enim maiores diuersis tuorum predecessorum temporibus hoc sanctum negotium prolixo magnoque prosecuti sunt studio. Nullus tamen eorum illud proficere valuit quod prudentia divina in tui apostolatus tempora reseruauit. Cuius adeo dilate rei vera causa soli deo nota esse creditur, qui iuxta congruas temporum vicissitudines omnia a principio mundi per ipsum facta sub certo ordine prodire statuit, et sicut voluit ordinauit. Nichilominus expeditionem huius rei tibi iuste a deo reseruatam fuisse non ex certo sed ex congruentia quadam existimare recte possumus, si ea in quibus Ipse Osmundus dum in humanis agebat, et tua sanctitas conueniunt ad memoriam reuocemus. Ipse enim Osmundus, Normannus origine, postquam adolescencie transegit annos cum duce Guillelmo sulcatis maribus in Angliam vectus est. Quo Willelmo sceptrum ibidem regni obtinente, Idem Osmundus, ob singularem suam prudentiam et alia virtutum preclara merita, magni honoris illic officia consecutus est. Tu autem sub dominio serenissimi principis Regis Aroganum oriundus, post adquisitam tua patria profunde sciencie margaritam, mari transito, oras Italie

penetrasti, vbi, exigentibus tuis meritis, ad episcopalem primo et consequenter cardinalatus honorem, auctorita apostolica, fueras sublimatus. Vterque quoque vestrum mare transiuit, vt sublimiori in alieno quam proprio natali solo fungeretur honore. Ambo pontifices et securi pontes, super quibus gradientes exemplo vestro nullis carnalium voluptatum aquis aut lutosa immundaue cupiditatis profunditate mergi poterint. Ille omnia que sibi ex redditibus et dominiis temporalibus obuenerunt deo et ecclesie Saresbiriensi donauit. Tua vero sanctitas pro honore dei et ecclesie sue, ac debellandis terra marique perditissimis Christiane fidei hostibus, omnes tuos thesauros, etiam vsque ad corporis ornamenta, largiter effudisse, per totum terrarum orbem laudabiliter predicatur. Ille, post meritorios suos in hoc mundo labores, grandeuus obiit. Tua quidem beatitudo in magno iam senio, vt aiunt, constituta, aliter quam senex obire non poterit; et licet omnium conditor vos ambos in predictis assimilandos fore decreuit. Te tamen, licet successu temporis Osmundo longe posteriorem, voluit eidem preferri in spirituali viatorum statu, et altiori in ecclesia sua dignitate potiri, ad finem quod vicarius Christi constitutus in terris, ex plenitudine potestatis celitus tibi commisse, dictum Osmundum sanctorum cathologo sicuti factum ascriberes. Et vt ipse Osmundus, paternitate vestra honoratus in terra, eternam tue anime et aliorum Christicolarum salutem instancius apud deum procuraret in celis. Et certe, beatissime pater, tanta et tam grandis nobis est prefate canonizationis estimatio, quod fateri oportebit nos insufficientes existere ad persoluendas tue sanctitati condignas graciarum actiones; agimus quas possumus et valemus, eandem sanctitatem certam reddentes, quod, ob hoc singulare beneficium dicte ecclesie Saresbiriensi et nobis impensum, celebris tui nominis memoria digno habebitur in honore apud nos et successores nostros quamdiu eadem tua ecclesia durauerit; cuius statum et honorem recommissos semper habere dignetur, et velit prefata beatitudo, quam ad nostram et multorum consolationem ac vniuersalis ecclesie decus eximium diu conseruet in prosperis clemencia saluatoris. Datum in domo nostra capitulari Sarum xxvii^{mo} die mensis Junii 1457.

E. v. s.

Oratores perpetui Episcopus decanus et capitulum Ecclesie vestre Sarum.

22 *b* [*Memoranda of loans and statement of accounts.*]

Memorandum, quod Magister Gilbertus Kymere decanus mutuauit M. N. Vpton precentori, Andree Holes Cancellario, Willelmo Ingram, Iohanni Paslew, Ricardo Trove, Iohanni Cranborn, et Ricardo Whitby, vicesimo quinto die mensis Octobris anno domini M° cccc^mo Lvi^to, capitulariter congregatis et Capitulum facientibus, quadraginta libras, in adiutorium expeditionis canonizationis beati Osmundi, sub ista conditione, videlicet quod post pecuniarum prouisionem hac vice factam, eidem Magistro Gilberto fiat satisfactio de proximis pecuniis solutis per canonicos pro debito dicte canonizationis, et de pecuniis oblatis ad beatum Osmundum per magistros operis et receptores dictarum pecuniarum ... } xl li

Item alia vice mutuauit ad extractionem bullarum ... ... } xx mark

Summa mutuata iiii^xx mark, Inde sibi soluuntur

Summe subscripte In primis
de Magistro Iohanne Druell ... xiiii mark
Item de eodem M. I. Druell ... xiii Li viii s viii d
Item de M. Iohanne Hethe ... iiii Li
Item de oblacionibus ad sanctum Osmundum ... ... Lxxi s iiii d

Summa soluta xxxi li vi s viii d } Summa soluta xxxi li vi s viii d, Et debentur eidem domino decano xxii li, quam summam magistri fabrice soluerunt xxviii die mensis Nouembris de viginti sex libris mutuatis eisdem magistris de oblationibus sancti Osmundi ad emendum plumbum, et sic plene sibi solutum est.

23 Memorandum quod xxiii die Marcii M° iiii^c lvi^to, Reuerendus in Christo pater dominus Ricardus Beuchamp, Episcopus Sarum, mutuauit ad extractionem bullarum sancti Osmundi iacentium in manibus mercatorum Florentinorum in banco de Medicis ... ... } xx mark

Magister Gilbertus Kymer, dominus decanus Sarum, mutuauit consimiliter ad eandem bullarum extractionem ... ... — xx marcas

Magister Andreas Holes, dominus Cancellarius Sarum, mutuauit consimiliter ad eandem bullarum extractionem ... ... xx marcas de

qua Summa recepit primo vi li pro tanta summa debita Magistro Ricardo [a]Andrew, et xxix Iulii recepit etiam de oblacionibus sancti Osmundi vii l vi s viii d in presencia decani Whitby Ingram et Crowton.

Magister Iohannes Cranborn, residentiarius Sarum, mutuauit consimiliter ad eandem bullarum extractionem ... ... xx marcas

Magister Symon Houchens, Sarum canonicus, xxviii. Marcii 1457[mo] mutuauit ad eandem bullarum extractionem viginti marcas, quam summam decanus et Capitulum resoluent in anno dicto Symoni de proximis pecuniis solutis per canonicos pro debito dicte canonizationis, et de pecuniis oblatis ad beatum Osmundum per magistros operis et receptores dictarum pecuniarum; ... ... — xx marcas de quibus

sibi satisfactum est per Symonem Braban xxix Iulii dictam summam recipientem nomine dicti M. S. H. presentibus Ingram Whitby Crowton.

[b]Magister Ricardus Whitby, residentiarius Sarum, soluit, pro magistro Iohanne Redehill prebendario Preston, in completam solutionem quote eiusdem prebende ad canonizationem beati Osmundi debite ... ... — xx s

[a] LL.D. Chancellor of Canterbury, 1st Warden of All Souls, 1437—42 Archdeacon of Sarum, 1441. Preb. of Faringdon 1447, Stratton 1449, N. Grantham 1454, all in Salisbury Cathedral; Preb. of Warthill 1445, and of N. Newbald 1449, both in York Cathedral; Dean of York 1452. Preb. of Oxton Prima in Southwell 1461. Died 1477.

[b] This entry has been partially struck through, and the sum seems not to have been reckoned in arriving at the total of 191 marks set out below.

Magistri Iohannes Stretton et Willelmus Nessyngwyk soluerunt, ex causa premissa, pro magistris Rogero Keys, viii mark, Roberto Ayscogh ix li vi s viii d, et Willelmo Vance vi li, Sarum canonicis, in completa solutione quotarum prebendarum suarum ad dictam canonizationem debitarum xx li xiii s, de qua summa magister Iohannes Stretton soluit xx mark, et magister Willelmus Nessyngwyk x mark xiii s. Summa ... ... } xx li xiii s iiiid

Communitas vicariorum mutuauit ex causa predicta—xl mark
Summa totalis mutuata C iiii^{xx} xi mark.

Et sunt in cista in manibus Ingram et Trovy—xxxii li xviii s i d videlicet in grossis . . . xxiiii li, In auro . . . xxxvi s viii d, In duplicibus denariis xxxvi s viii d, In simplicibus denariis v li iiii s ix d ... ...

Et sic in s. marcis faciunt . . . quadraginta nouem marcas iiii s ix d, de qua summa existente in cista receptorum penultimo Marcii 1457 extracta fuit summa xli mark iiii d.

23 *b* Memorandum quod Thomas Pleasance of Habyndon recepit in domo capitulari, a receptoribus pecuniarum pertinentium ad canonizationem Beati Osmundi, in auro et in argento Centum Libras, In presencio domini Episcopi domini decani Andree Holes Cancellarii, Ricardi Whitby, Willelmi Ingram, Iohannis Cranborn, Ricardi Trove, et Willelmi Crowton, Capitulariter congregatorum et capitulum facientium. Quam Summam C li dictus Thomas Pleasance faciet London resolui Symoni Braban, Bidello ecclesie Sarum, per literas suas dirigendas certis amicis ibidem, ad hunc effectum quod dictus Symon Braban dictam summam C li soluat Symoni Nory, Mercatori Florentino, in partem solutionis maioris summe sibi debite pro bullis Sancti Osmundi.

27 Memorandum quod xvi Octobris 1456to pecuniarum Summe infrascripte continebantur in Cista Osmundi,

In primis in auro ...	...	xxxviii s iiii d	Summa xix Li v s.
In grossis ...	...	ix li	
In dimidiis grossis ...	...	xl s	
In s. denariis ...	...	vi li vi s viii d	

Memorandum quod xxv Octobris erant in sacculo Osmundi xxiii li xi s viii d, Item de mutuo de domino decano xl li, Item de mutuo de thesaurario lxvi li xiii s iiii d, Summa,

Item ix li vi s viii d, Item xxiiii li xiii s iiii d,

Summa viii^{xx} li iiii li v s. Ista summa erat in sacculo x^{mo} Nouembris.

Memorandum quod ii^{do} Decembris erant in sacculo Osmundi ciiii^{xx}ii li v s.

[a]Hec billa indentata testatur quod Magister Willelmus Crowton Canonicus ecclesie Sarum Recepit de Magistro Iohanne Druell[b] Canonico ibidem in partem solucionis cuiusdam summe debite pro quinta parte taxe prebende sue de Netherburye ad canonizacionem sancti Osmundi quatuordecem libras octo solidos octo denarios. Quam summam auctoritate Decani et Capituli idem Magister Willelmus xxvii^{o} die mensis Aprilis Anno Regis Henrici vi^{ti} xxxv^{to} soluit Gilberto Kymer decano ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum in partem solucionis octoginta marcarum per eundem Gilbertum Kymer Capitulo predicto ad expeditionem prefate Canonizacionis alias mutuatarum. 28

Item Idem Iohannes Druell soluit eidem M. G. Kymer in mense Maii anno regis supradicto xiii marcas in partem solucionis Summe predicte octingentarum marcarum.

Item Capitulum soluit eidem M. Gilberto Kymer xxix Iulii anno regis supradicto in partem solucionis predictarum octingentarum marcarum de oblacionibus Sancti Osmundi lxxi s iiii d.

[c]Receptum de oblacionibus ad Scrinium et capud deliberatis per dominum Laurencium xxvii die Iulii, viz. in auro v s, In grossis xix s, In denariis duplicibus iiii s iiii d, In sterlingis liii s iiii d. Summa ... ... } iiii li ii s viii d.

[d]Prima solucio facta Symoni Nory ii^{c} xv li vnde pro cambio— xv li. 28 b

[a] This is an original document.

[b] Preb. of Alton Australis 1441, Netheravon 1445, Ramsbury 1447, Netherbury in Ecclesia 1449, and Blewbery 1457, Rector of Steeple Langford 1449. He died 1469.

[c] This is an original document.

[d] This is an original document written upon the back of the preceding one.

ii^{da} solucio ii^{c} L marks et pro cambio xii li x s.
iii^{tia} solucio—ii^{c} xxxii mark.
Summa v^{c} xv li.
ad cuius summe solucionem mutuate sunt summe infrascripte, videlicet,

de thesaura	...	...	iiii^{xx} li.
de Ingram	...	...	xl li.
de decano	...	...	xl li.
de fabrica pro campana		...	xxiiii li xiii s iiii d.
de domino Episcopo		...	xx mark.
de domino decano	...	..	xx mark.
de Cancellario	...	...	xx mark.
de Cranborn	...	...	xx mark.
de Trove	...	...	x mark.
de Crowton	...	...	x mark.
de Symone Huchens		...	xx mark.
de Stratton et Nessyngwik	...	...	xx li xiii s iiii d.
de communitate vicariorum		...	xl mark.
Summa totalis mutuata		...	iii^{c} xii li.

[16 *February* 1451. *Letter summoning the Canons to attend in the Chapter House on the* 13*th of March.*]

[a]Cum in certa communicacione habita cum fratribus residenciariis capitulariter congregatis et capitulum quem . . . . . inter cetera pro canonizacione beati Osmundi precipui patris nostri Summe fore honorifica . . . . . vtilem ecclesie predicte vna et certa statuta et constituciones.

Cum ex assensu et consensu omnium et singulorum confratrum nostrorum ob certas et intimas causas honorem et vtilitatem ecclesie predicte concernentes expediendas decreuimus peremptorie omnes et singulos dicte [ecclesie] canonicos conuocandos peremptorie citandos per literas nostras citatorias in stallum prebendarum suarum figendas ad comparendum coram nobis in domo capitulari Sarum xiii die mensis marcii proximo iam future iuxta formam et effectum predictarum literarum, vobis igitur

[a] This is an original document, a draft much altered and corrected.

communiter et diuisim committimus et mandamus quatinus dicte ecclesie canonicos omnes et singulos peremptorie vt prefertur citatos, vt compareant iuxta formam et effectum dictarum literarum necnon dictas literas citatorias in stallis prebendarum suarum figatas. Ceteraque faciatis et obseruetis que in huiusmodi convocacionum citacionibus de statutis siue consuetudine Sarum ecclesie predecessores vestri obseruare solebant. Et quid feceritis in premissis nos dictis die et loco debite certificetis cum tenore presentium autentico sub sigillo sigillatum. Datum in domo capitulari Sarum xvi. die mensis Februarii anno domini m°ccccli^mo.

[20 *November* 14 (?). *Letter from the Dean and Chapter to* ?][a]

. . . . . beloued we comawnde vs vnto yow thankyng yow ry . . . . . hewed. Besechyng yow of your gode contynuance d . . . . . vs by the vertu of your Office bysydes all other dutes . . . . . the chirche of Sarum Whiche is funded in the honowr of owr . . . . . Seruaunt Perys Seynt John in your last Session at Maydenhith . . . . . wold send to vs at your godly leiser suche Wrytyngs vnder your seale . . . . . as ben necessary vnto owr modur chirch of Sarum, and vs, uppon suche maters as we have laburd to yow fore, and he also in owr name. We pray you as hertly as we kan, that, at the reuerence of God and owr lady in whos honowr the said chirche is funded, th^t hit like yow to send vs the said maters sufficiently conceyved and made by the berer of these, and we shall reward yow in suche wyse after owr power as ye shall be pleased, by the helpe of God and owr lady Seynt Marie, Whiche preserue yow ever in bodyly helthe and prosperite. Writen at Sarum xx day of Nouember

By your frendes
Gilbert Kymer dean and Chapitre } of Sarum

[a] An original document, torn and altered.

50 [*Taxation of Prebends*].

1452^do.

Taxate fuerunt Subscripte prebende per Reuerendum in Christo patrem et dominum Dominum Ricardum de Bello Campo Sarisburiensem Episcopum, dominum Gilbertum Kymer decanum, Nicholaum Vpton precentorem, Andream Holes Cancellarium, Iohannem Symondesburgh Thesaurarium, W. Ingram, Iohannem Chedworth, W. Normanton,[a] Iohannem Paslew, Thomam Circetur, Iohannem Cranborn, Robertum Langryssh, Ricardum Trove, Willelmum Nessyngwike, Ricardum Whitby, et quam plures alios canonicos, Auctoritate decani et Capituli conuocatos, ad contribucionem pro obtinenda canonizacione beati Osmundi, et pro aliis dicte Ecclesie negociis, prout liquet in forma citacionis emisse pro eisdem iuxta formam cuiusdam statuti bone memorie Rogeri quondam Sarum Episcopi.

[a] Preb. of Yatesbury 1443, Warminster 1445, Bishopston 1446, Durnford 1447, Chute and Chisenbury 1448, and Faringdon 1449. He died in 1459.

Potern et Lavyngton	l marc	cuius 5ta pars	x mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xxxiii s iiii d
Hegtisbury et Godalmyng	xl marc	cuius 5ta pars	viii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xxvi s viii d
Chermynster et Bere, M. R. Ascogh ...	lxx marc	cuius 5ta pars	xiiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xlvi s viii d
Grantham Australis, M. R. Cawdre ...	l marc	cuius 5ta pars	x mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xxxiii s iiii d
Chesyngbury et Chute, M. Joh. Paslew	xx marc	cuius 5ta pars	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xiii s iiii d
Brixworth, Cancellarius	xx marc	cuius 5ta pars	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xiii s iiii d
Okeborn Coll. de Wyndesor et Cambryg	c marc	cuius 5ta pars	xx mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	v mark
Loders, Monasterium de Schene ...	xxx marc	cuius 5ta pars	vi mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xx s
Horton, M. Joh. Norton	xl marc	cuius 5ta pars	viii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xxvi s viii d
Bedewyne, M. Fulco Bermyngham ...	l marc	cuius 5ta pars	x mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xxxiii s iii d
Teynton, M. Robertus Bemond ...	lxx marc	cuius 5ta pars	xiiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xlvi s viii d
Button, M. Will. Vance	xxx marc	cuius 5ta pars	vi mark	cuius 4ta pars	xx s
Stratton, M. Ric. Andrewe	xxx marc	cuius 5ta pars	vi mark	cuius 4ta pars	*xx s
Remmysbury, M. Th. Kirkeby ...	xl mark	cuius 5ta pars	viii mark	cuius 4ta pars	xxvi s viii d
Shepton, M. Will. Westbury	xxx mark	cuius 5ta pars	vi mark	cuius 4ta pars	xx s
Maior pars altaris, M. Nich. Vpton ...	c s	cuius 5ta pars	xx s	cuius 4ta pars	v s
Shirbon, Abbas de Shirbourne ...	lx mark	cuius 5ta pars	xii mark	cuius 4ta pars	xl s
Vphavyn, Prior de Yviechurche ...	xx mark	cuius 5ta pars	iiii mark	cuius 4ta pars	xiii s iiii d
Calne, M. Joh. Symondesburgh ...	lx mark	cuius 5ta pars	xii mark	cuius 4ta pars	xl s
Grantham Borial, M. Joh. Rydell ...	l mark	cuius 5ta pars	x mark	cuius 4ta pars	xxxiii s iiii d
Hyworth, M. Will. Ingram	l mark	cuius 5ta pars	x mark	cuius 4ta pars	xxxiii s iiii d
Bleubury, M. Roger Kyes	xl mark	cuius 5ta pars	viii mark	cuius 4ta pars	xxvi s viii d

Summa integre taxe

Summa quintarum partium

Summa quartarum partium

*xxxii li xviii s [iiii d]

Summa totalis per annum cxxxi li xiii s iiii d

* This sum is £1 too much, but there has been an alteration in the taxation of Teynton, the value of which is estimated in the Hutchins' Register at 100 marks, on which basis the sum is correct.

[a] Bedmyster et Radclif, W. Toly ...	xx marc	cuius 5ta pars	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta pars	xiii s iiiid	30 *b*
Nethrebury in Ecclesia, M. I. Drewell	iiii^{xx} mark	cuius 5ta	xvi mark	cuius 5te 4ta	iiii mark	
Bemyster prima, M. I. Payne	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Wrytlyngton et Fordington, Walysby...	xxx mark	cuius 5ta	vi mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xx s	
Bemyster ii^{da}, M. Robertus Ampulsford	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Iatmyter et Grymstan, Carant ...	xxx mark	cuius 5ta	vi mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xx s	
Nethirbury in terra, M.Petrus Courteney	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Torleton, Iohn Dupèden	xv mark	cuius 5ta	xl s	cuius 5te 4ta	x s	
Netherhaven	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Wodeford, M. Will. Grey	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Rotfen, Droko	x mark	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	vi s viii d	
Slape, M. Ricardus Whytby	x mark	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	vi s viii d	
Burbage et Husshborn, Cranborne ...	xl mark	cuius 5ta	viii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xxvi s viii d	180
Dorneford, M. R. Langryssh	xvi mark	cuius 5ta	xlii s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	x s viii d	
Alton Borial, M. Robertus Ayscogh ...	x mark	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	vi s viii d	
Alton Pancras, Dominus Ricardus Hayman	x mark	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	vi s viii d	
Bysshopiston, M. Ioh. Heth	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Iatmyster prima, M. W. Crowton ...	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	

Summa integre taxe

Summa quintarum

Summa quartarum xiii li xiiii s

Summa totalis per annum liii li xvi s

[a] "Percy" is written in the margin. Toly was collated in 1452 upon the promotion of Percy to the See of Carlisle.

Warmyster, M. H. Trevylian	v mark	cuius 5ta	xiii s iiiid	cuius 5te 4ta pars	iii s iiii d	
Preston, M. W. Nessyngwyke	xv mark	cuius 5ta	xl s	cuius 5te 4ta	x s	
Stratford, D. Walterus Baylyf	iiii mark	cuius 5ta	x s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	ii s viii d	
Faryngdon	xxxii mark	cuius 5ta	iiii li vs iiiid	cuius 5te 4ta	xxi s iiii d	caue
Combe et Harnham	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Axford, M. W. Swyfte	xl s	cuius 5ta	viii s	cuius 5te 4ta	ii s	
Iatmyster ii^{da}, M. I. Pyvyle	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	
Lyme, M. Radulphus Drewe	x mark	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	cuius 5te 4ta	vi s viii d	
Yattysbury	xl s	cuius 5ta	viii s	cuius 5te 4ta	ii s	
Minor pars altaris				cuius		
Rotyscamp, M. W. Brygon	c s	cuius 5ta	xx s	cuius 5te 4ta	v s	
Cherdstoke, M. Georgius Nevyle ...	xx mark	cuius 5ta	iiii mark	cuius 5te 4ta	xiii s iiii d	

Summa integre taxe

Summa quintarum

Summa quartarum iiii li xiii s

Summa totalis per annum xviii li xii s

Summa totalis per annum ccv li xvi d

Summa totalis per triennium vi^{c}xv li iiii s

vi^{c}xv li iiii

				Solutiones.
Poterne et Lavyngton ...	l marc	cuius 5ta pars	x marc	Soluit complete xx li.
Heghtysbury	xl marc	cuius 5ta pars	viii marc	Soluit complete xvi li.
Chermynster et Bere ... Robertus Ayscogh	lxx marc	cuius 5ta	xiii marc	Summa xxviii li soluit xviii li xiii s iiii d et debet ix li vi s viii d.
Grantham Australis ... Ricardus Cavdyr	l marc	cuius 5ta	x marc	Summa xx li de qua nichil soluit.
Chesyngbury et Chute ...	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Soluit complete viii li.
Bryxworth	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Soluit complete viii li.
Okeburn	c marc	cuius 5ta	xx mark	Summa xl li de qua nichil solutum est.
Loders	xxx marc	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Summa xii li solute sunt plenarie per manus Thome Larder quarto die mensis Iunii 1457 vt patet per acquietanciam de data Regis H. vi^{ti} xxxv^{to}.
Horton ... ... I. Norton	xl marc	cuius 5ta	viii marc	Summa xvi li Inde soluit ad vices xiiii li x s v d et debet xxix s vii d quos Newton soluit viii^{o} die mensis Aprilis 1457
Bedewynde ... ... Fulco Bernyngham	l marc	cuius 5ta	x marc	Summa xx li quam summam complete soluit.
Teynton ... ... Robertus Bemond	lxx marc	cuius 5ta	xiiii marc	Summa xxviii li quam summam complete soluit.
Button ... ... Vance	xx marc[a]	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Summa xii li Inde soluit vi li et debet vi li.
Stratton[b] ... ... R. Andrew	xxx marc	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Summa xii li Que summa complete soluta est.

[a] A mistake for xxx marks.

[b] The following entry has been struck through :—"Inde idem M.R.A. soluit pro duo annis viii li et Magister W. Nessyngwyke debet pro iiii terminis tercii anni iiii li inde soluit lxvi s viii d et debet xiii s iiii d".

Remmysbury ... ... Kyrkeby	xl marc	cuius 5ta	viii marc	Summa xvi li inde soluit xiiii li xiii s iiii d et debet xxvi s Inde soluit M.W. Crowton xiii s iiii d et debet xiii s iiii d.
Shepton ... ... Westbury	xxx marc	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Soluit complete xii li.
Maior pars Altaris ... Vpton	c s	cuius 5ta	xx s	Summa lx s.
Shirborn	lx marc	cuius 5ta	xii marc	Summa xxiiii li quam summam complete soluit.
Vphaven	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li complete soluit.
Calne ... ... Symondesburgh	lx marc	cuius 5ta	xii marc	Summa xxiiii li Inde soluit M. I. Symondesburgh viii li et debet pro x terminis xii li et Magister Thomas Mannyng debet pro duo vltimis terminis tercii anni iiii li quam summam iiiior li Ricardus Flynte soluit pro Manyng.
Grantham Borial ... Redehill	l marc	cuius 5ta	x marc	Summa xx li Inde soluit lxvi s viii d et debet x li et Magister Ricardus Andrew debet pro tercio anno vi li xiii s iiii d de quibus soluit xiii s iiii d et debet vi li Quam summam soluit per manus M. A. Holes et eadem summa allocata erat eidem M. A. Holes.
Hyworth ... ... W. Ingram	l marc	cuius 5ta	x marc	Soluit complete xx li.
Bleubury ... ... Rogerus Keys	xl marc	cuius 5ta	viii marc	Summa xvi li Inde soluit x li xiiii s iiii d et debet cvi s viii d.

Bedmyster et Radclyf ... W. Toly	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li Inde soluuntur per M. W. Toly liii s iiii d debentur cvis viii d quam summam dictus M. W. Toly soluit per manus Wynford et sic nichil debetur. 32 b
Nethirbury in Ecclesia ... Ioh: Druell	lxx marc	cuius 5ta	xiiii marc	Summa xxviii li.
Bemyster prima ... ... Iohes Payne	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li quam summam complete soluit.
Wrytelyngton et Ford ... W. Walysby	xxx marc	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Summa xii li quam summam com[plete soluit].
Bemyster iida ... ... Ampulford	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li Inde soluit per Newman vicarium xxvi s [viii d] et debet vi li xiii s iiii d Inde soluit per manus domini decani ad manus domini Ioh. Coke xx s et ad manus domini Ricardi Crome nuper vicarii Choralis Sarum xl s quos idem Ricardus nondum soluit.
Iatmynster et Grymston Carant	xxx marc	cuius 5ta	vi marc	Summa xii li quam summam complete soluit.
Nethirbury in terra ... Curtenay	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li quam summam complete soluit.
Torleton ... ... Dyppeden	xv marc	cuius 5ta	xl s	Summa vi li.
Nethirhaven ... ... Trovy	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li quam summam complete soluit.
Wodeford ... ... Chedworth	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li.

Rotfen ... ... Droco Malefanyt	x marc	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	Summa iiii li Inde Droco soluit xiii s iiii d et d[ebet] lxvi s viii d.	
Slepe ... ... Whitby	x marc	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	Summa iiii li quam summam complete soluit.	
Burbage et Husborn ... Cranborn	xl marc	cuius 5ta	viii marc	Summa xvi li quam summam complete soluit.	
Dorneford ... ... Langrysshe	xvi marc	cuius 5ta	xlii s viii d	Summa vi li viii s Inde soluit M. R. Langryssh pro [duo] annis iiii li v s iiii d et M. W. Brigon successor ei pro iiii^{or} terminis tercii anni xlii s viii d.	
Alton borial ... ... Ayscogh	x marc	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	Summa iiii li quam summam complete soluit.	
Alton Austral ... ... Hayman	x marc	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	Summa iiii li quam summam complete soluit.	
Bysshopyston ... ... Heethe	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li Inde soluit iiii li.	
Iatmynster prima ... W. Crowton	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li quam summam complete soluit.	
Warmyster ... ... Trevylion	v marc	cuius 5ta	xiii s iiii d	Summa xl s Inde soluit xx s et debet xx s quos Wolley de Warmynster soluit et acquietanciam inde habet.	33
Preston ... ... Nessingwik	xv marc	cuius 5ta	xl s	Summa vi li Inde soluit Nessyngwike pro ii annis iiii li et Redehill debet pro tercio anno xl s Inde solutum per M. R. Whitby xl s et nihil debet pro Preston.	
Stratford ... ... Baylyf	iiii marc	cuius 5ta	x s viii d	Summa xxxii s quam summam complete soluit.	

Faryngdon ... ... Normanton	xxxii marc	cuius 5ta	iiii li v s iiiid	Summa xii li xvi s Inde soluit x li iiii s et debet lii s quam summam soluit per manus et sic nichil debet.
Combe et Harnham ... Stretton	xii marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li Quam summam complete soluit.
Axford ... ... Swyft	xl s	cuius 5ta	viii s	Summa xxiiii s quam summam complete soluit.
Iatmynster iida ... ... Pyvile	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li que summa complete soluta est
Lyme ... ... Circetur	x marc	cuius 5ta	xxvi s viii d	Summa iiii li Inde soluitur per Circetur et Drew lxxiii s iiii d et debentur per Drew vi s viii d.
Yatysbury ... ... Wetton	xl s	cuius 5ta	viii s	Summa xxiiii s quam complete soluit per manus bidelli.
Minor pars altaris ...				
Rotiscamp ... ... Brygon	c s	cuius 5ta	xx s	Summa lx s Inde soluit M. W. Brygon xlv s et debentur per M. Symonem Huchons xv s.
Cherdystok ... ... Nevyle	xx marc	cuius 5ta	iiii marc	Summa viii li quam summam complete soluit.

Taxaciones et expense denariorum circa Canonizacionem beati Osmundi. 34

In primis, liberauerunt M. Johanni Cranborn et domino Willelmo Berwyk, procuratoribus M. Nicholai Vpton, in presencia decani et aliorum canonicorum, viz pro termino natalis domini Anno domini MCCCCLii^do^. ... [torn]

Item, de mandato decani liberarunt M. Andree Holes Cancellario pro literis per eundem conceptis et missis ad Romanam Curiam pro canonizacione beati Osmundi tam pro seipso et clericis predicti M. Andree pro laboribus et scriptura eorumdem xxx

Item liberauerunt vni fratri ordinis minorum portanti literam a Curia ex parte M. Nicholai Vpton ... ... vi s viii d

Item liberauerunt mandato decani et capituli M^ro^ Ricardo Whithbi xxiii li viz x marcas ad liberandum bancario London pro feodis M. Symonis Houchons procuratoris Rome pro canonizacione Osmundi Episcopi et x marcas pro expensis factis et faciendis in dicta materia et iii li pro destinatione literarum et pro excambio dictarum xx^tl^ marcarum ... ... } xxiii li

Item liberauerunt mandato domini decani et capituli quinto die mensis Iunii Anno domini M^lo^CCCC^mo^ *tricesimo*[a] tercio Magistro Andree Holes, Cancellario ecclesie Sarum, iii s iiiid, ad finem et effectum quod idem Magister Andreas contentaret Symonem Nory et socios mercatores Florentinos societatis de Medicis London residentes, de valore dicte summe trium solidorum et iiii^or^ denariorum ; viz soluendo eisdem mercatoribus ii^os^ solidos pro confeccione vnius instrumenti facta Rome per Iulianum Bartholomei de Crescis Notarium publicum Super liberacione trium literarum missiuarum facta } iii s iiii d

[a] A mistake for quinquagesimo.

Rome die mercurii vndecima mensis Aprilis Anno supradicto directarum magistro Wilellmo Gray, Nicholao Vpton, et Symoni Huchyns, cum vno instrumento publico tradito dicto Magistro Nicholao prefato vndecimo die per Alexandrum de Bardis, factorem in Romana Curia Petri et Johannis de Medicis, et xvi denarios pro portagio dicti instrumenti et ceter arum literarum a Romana curia usque London	
Item, liberauerunt de mandato domini decani et capituli domino Willelmo Berwik Succentori procuratorique Magistri Nicholai Vpton, precentoris ecclesie Sarum, procuratoris in materia canonizacionis Osmundi in curia Romana, pro termino Annunciacionis dominice xvi° die mensis Maii Anno domini supradicto, habita prius acquietancia ab eodem Willelmo de xx li summa deliberata	xx li
Item, pro caragio vnius instrumenti testimonialis de reuocacione etc	ii s
Item, die lune in vigilia Natiuitatis Domini anno domini M° CCCC° Liii° M. Willelmus Inghram et Ricardus Trove, ex ordinacione Reuerendi in Christo patris et domini Domini Ricardi Episcopi Sarum decanique et capituli, deliberauerunt Custodibus Thesaurie ibidem de pecuniis prouenientibus canonizacioni beati Osmundi liii li vi s viii d mutuatos alias de eadem Thesauria et liberatos ad vsum predicti negocii canonizacionis	Liii li vi s viii d
Item, octauo die mensis Marcii 1453^{cio} predicti Custodes liberauerunt Magistro N. Vpton precentori pro laboribus et expensis suis a Roma versus Angliam factis ex ordinacione et assensu domini decani, M. Iohannis Cranborn, M. Ricardi Whitby, M. J. Pyvile, nominatorum per dominum Episcopum et capitulum ad allocandas et disallocandas pecunias super expensis faciendis circa canonizacionem beati Osmundi.	xi li xiii s iiii d

Item xvii^mo die mensis Iulii predicti Custodes liberauerunt M. N. Vpton in plenam solucionem absencie sue dum stetit in curia Romana in presentia decani, Ingram, Cranborn, et Trovy, vt supra solutum ... ... viii[li xiii s iiii d]

Et sic cum predictis xi li xiii s iiii d recepit post aduentum suum a curia viginti li vi s viii d

Item die dominica sexto octobris 1454^to In presencia domini decani Ricardi Whitby et domini Johannis Coke M. W. Ingram et Ricardi Trove soluerunt complete M. Symoni Houchons ... ... xx [vi s viii d]

et Idem M. Symon inde acquietanciam facit dictis dominis decano et capitulo que communi reposita erat in cista.

Item in expensis Walteri Sacriste equitantis London cum procuratorio et literis directis M. Johanni Laxe x s ii d ... ... x s [ii d]

Item in regardo facto seruienti Symonis Nory mercatoris Florentini de Banco de Medicis ... vi s viii d

Item in expensis factis per Walterum Sacristam equitantem Hampton pro dicto Symone Nory ... ... xx d

Item in expensis M. Radulphi Drew equitantis ad dominum Episcopum pro dicta materia ... xiii s iiii d

Item in Regardo facto Henrico Brilond ... xx d

Item pro duo quaternis papiri .. ... v d

Item in regardo facto Hugoni Stallyng famulo seu seruitori M. I. Lax portanti a sede apostolica literas concernentes translacionem Sancti Osmundi per manus M. Ricardi Whitby ... xx [vi s viii d]

vltra quam summam dictus decanus et Capitulum ex vrbanitate eorum contulerunt eidem domino Hugoni vi s viii d per manus eiusdem M. Ricardi Whitby ... ... [vi s viii d]

Item pro expensis Walteri Sacriste equitantis London pro Symone Nory mercatore de Medicis circa inicium mensis maii 1456^to in parte solucionis ... ... [torn]

In vna pelle magna pergameni ... ... [torn]

Item solutum est Symoni Nory mercatori suprascripto pro regardo suo xx^{s} et pro expensis suis factis in . . . . [torn]

Item pro cera empta pro sigillatione literarum . . . . [torn]

[*In the margin*] clxix^{li} xii^{s} viii^{d}

34 b Item pro sex sacculis lineis pro reponendis pecuniis in eisdem pro canonizacione beati Osmundi ... ... vi d

Item solutum Waltero Sacriste pro expensis suis et equi sui equitantis tribus vicibus de Sarum Hampton et vna vice de Hampton London et redeundo ... ... v s iiii d

Item in crastino festi Sancte Trinitatis videlicet xxiiii^{to} mensis maii Anno Regis H. vi^{ti} xxxiiii^{to} predicti custodes liberauerunt decano et capitulo pro canonizacione beati Osmundi expedienda nonoginta quinque libras ... iiii^{xx} xv li

Item solutum M. R. Whitby pro expensis suis et M. S. Houchyns equitantium ad dominum Sarum Episcopum ad Sunnyng cum primis literis apostolicis in materia Osmundi. xiii s iiii d

Item solutum M. A. H. iiii d quos idem M. A. Holes alias soluit vecturali portanti London literas et alia munimenta diuersa transmissa curie Romane ... ... iiii d

Item solutum Waltero Sacriste equitanti mandato capituli pro Symone Nory ad Hampton pro expensis equi sui et suis ... ... xvi d

Item solutum Symoni Bidello pro expensis suis apud London et Hampton pro canonizacione beati Osmundi cum Mercatore Florentino conduccione equi et omnibus computatis ... xii s xi d

Item in expensis Symonis Bidelli equitantis de mandato domini decani et capituli ad Chermynster ad M. Robertum Ayscogh prebendarium eiusdem pro pecuniis debitis Osmundo ... ... ii s

Item in expensis domini Rogeri Garge cum familiari equitantis de Odyham ad Bustillyham prope Merlow pro octo libris solutis per M. R. Beamont ... ... — xvi d

Memorandum quod M. W. Ingram mutuauit Summam quadraginta librarum ad canonizacionem beati Osmundi sibi resoluendam in festo sancti Michaelis anno domini M°cccc Lvi^to Quam quidem summam Idem Magister Willelmus Ingram iterato recepit sub hac forma. In primis de pecuniis per diuersos canonicos ecclesie Sarum solutis pro prosecutione dicte Canonizacionis ad manus predicti M. W. et Ricardi Trovy receptorum dictarum pecuniarum per decanum et capitulum deputatorum xxx libras vi s viii d. Et de oblacionibus factis ad tumbam dicti beati Osmundi ix li xiii s iiii d soluti per manus Magistrorum operis sic in toto xl li ... ... — xl li; Summa totalis xxx li vii d

Memorandum quod Gilbertus Kymer decanus mutuauit M. N. Vpton precentori A. Holes Cancellario Ingram Paslew Trove Cranborn Whitby xxv^to octobris quadraginta libras in adiutorium expeditionis canonizationis beati Osmundi sub ista condicione videlicet quod post pecuniarum prouisionem hac vice factam eidem M. Gilberto fuerit satisfactio de proximis pecuniis solutis per canonicos pro debito dicte canonizationis et de pecuniis oblatis ad beatum Osmundum per magistros operum et receptores dictarum pecuniarum ... ... — xiii s xi d

Item receperunt de Thesauria ex mutuo xxiiii li xiii s iiii d prouenientes ex venditione cuiusdam campane pertinentis ad fabricam ... — xxiiii li xiii s iiii d

Item liberauerunt xxiiii^to nouembris Symoni Braban pro expensis suis equitanti versus London pro Symone Nory ... ... — xiii s iiii d

Item liberauerunt Waltero Sacriste equitanti ad Kyllyngworth ad regem pro certis literis dirigendis a rege ad Curiam pro materia Osmundi	xxvi s viii d
Item liberauerunt xv decembris per manus Honythorn ad Symonem Nory mercatorem Florentinum pro materia Osmundi ii^{c}L marcas et pro cambio earumdem xii li x^{s} et pro stipendio antiqui Cursoris C^{s}	ciiii^{xx} iiii li iii s iiii d
Et pro expensis Symonis Braban equitantis London cum Honythorn	x s
Item pro portagio literarum vltra missarum per M. I. Lax ad dominum Episcopum et decanum et capitulum solutum Willelmo Hayford vt ipse eandem summam resoluat domino . . . . . Willelmo Lax	xxii d
. . . . . [ser]icis emptis ad vsum sigillorum testimonalium et cera rubea ...	ii s
. . . . . at Nethirbury et exspectatione sui ibidem per iiii^{or} dies pro pecuniis habendis	iii s iiii d

(*The following is written lengthwise along the margin of this page, which is much torn*)

[Memorandum] quod allocantur Iohanni Honythorn per dominum decanum et Capitulum pro laboribus et expensis suis pro vectura CCL Marcarum Missarum London in escambium . . . . . [canoniz]ationis beati Osmundi mense decembris anno xxxv regis H. vi^{ti} xiii s iiii d Item in regardo facto cognato M. I. Laxe deferenti literas apostolicas . . . . . Lxvi s viii d Item xiii die mensis marcii dederunt Hameletto famulo Symonis Nory mercatoris . . . . . [expedi]tione canonizacionis pro regardo et expensis xx s Item . . . . . viii d Item solutum xv^{m} . . . . . orum domini episcopi et capituli v s Item soluerunt ad ex . . . . . marc iiii d Item . . . . . .

[so]luerunt Iohanni Bord lathanio viii^{vo} Aprilis c s d. . . . . summa de prebendis . . . xxxiii s in . . . . . in festo sancti marci . . . . . eiusdem domini W. . . . . eidem Joh . . . . . .

Memorandum quod M. W. Ingram et Ricardus Trove deputati per dominum Episcopum decanum et Capitulum ad recipiend . . . . . et translacione beati Osmundi Receperunt pecunias infrascriptas. 35

Walesby i.[a]	Inprimis xiii^{mo} die Augusti 1452do per manus Iohannis Burgh de mandato M. Andree Holes pro prebenda de Writhlyngton et Fordyngton pro M. W. Walesby pro primo termino	xx s
Droco ii.	Item per manus eiusdem pro Drocone prebendario de Rotfen pro duobus terminis ...	xiii s iiii d
Normanton i.	Item per manus eiusdem pro M. W. Normanton prebendario de Faryngdon pro primo termino	xxi s iiii d
Langryssh i.	Item de M. Roberto Langrysshe prebendario de Dornford pro primo termino	x s viii d
Curtenay i.	Item per manus domini decani de Petro Curtenay prebendario de Nerthirbury in terra ...	xiii s iiii d
Poterne ii.	Item per manus M. W. Nessyngwike de domino Episcopo prebendario de Potern pro duobus terminis	lxvi s viii d
Nessyngwike i.	Item de M. W. Nessyngwike prebendario de Preston pro primo termino	x s

[a] Where the MS. is torn at either edge I have in a few places supplied the name or the sum of money from other entries.

Whitby i.	Item de M. Ricardo Whitby prebendario de Slape pro primo termino	vi s [viii d]
Vance i.	Item de M. W. Vance prebendario de Bytton pro primo termino	xx s
Trovy i.	Item de Ricardo Trove prebendario de Nythirhaven pro primo termino	xiii s iiii d
Norton i.	Item de M. Iohanne Norton prebendario de Horton per manus domini decani pro primo termino	xxvi s viii d
Kirkby.	Item de M. T. Kirkeby prebendario de Remmysbury per manus decani pro primo termino	xxvi s viii d
Redehyll i et ii.	Item de M. Iohanne Redehill prebendario de Grantham boriali pro duobus terminis ...	xvi s viii d
Payn i.	Item de M. Iohanne Payn prebendario de Bemyster prima per manus domini decani pro primo termino	xiii s iiii d
Cancellarius i.	Item de M. Andrea Holes prebendario de Bricklesworth pro primo termino ...	xiii s iiii d
Ingram i.	Item de domino Willelmo Ingram prebendario de Heyworth pro antedicto termino	xxxiii s iiii d
Decanus i.	Item de domino decano prebendario de Heygtysbury pro primo termino	xxvi s viii d
Thesaurarius i.	Item de M. Iohanne Symondesburgh prebendario de Calne pro primo termino ..	xl s
Cicestur i.	Item de M. Thoma Ciscetur prebendario de Lyme pro primo termino	vi s viii d

Passelew i.	Item de M. Iohanne Passelew prebendario de Chesyngbury et Chuyte pro primo termino ...	xiii s iiii d
Crowton i.	Item de M. W. Crowton prebendario de Yatmester prima pro primo termino ...	xiii s iiii d
Abbas de Shirborn i.	Item de dompno Willelmo abbate de Shirborn prebendario de Shirborn pro primo termino	xl s
Cranborn i.	Item de M. Iohanne Cranborn prebendario de Burbach et Hurstborne pro primo termino viz Johannis Baptiste ...	xxvi s viii d
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Langrysh ii.	Item de M. Roberto Langrysh pro ii^{do} termino	x s viii d
Brygon i. et ii.	Item de M. Willelmo Brygon prebendario de Rotyscamp pro ii terminis	x s
Crowton ii.	Item de M. W. Crowton prebendario de Yatminstre prima pro 2° termino	xiii s iiii d

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Langerysh ii et iii.	Item de M. Roberto Langerysh prebendario prebende de Durneford pro termino Natiuitatis domini	. . . .
Thesaurarius iii.	Item de M. Iohanne Symondesburgh Thesaurario et prebendario de Kallon pro termino Natiuitatis domini ...	. . . .
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. . . .	iiii.	Item de M. Nicholao Caraunt prebendario prebende de Yatmystre et Grimstane per manus Henrici Bayly pro vno anno integro a festo annunciacionis beate Marie vsque idem festum proximum sequens ...	iiii li
. . . .		Item de M. Ricardo Hayman prebendario prebende de Aulton Pancras pro vno anno integro per manus domini Iohannis Emwell	xxvi s viii d
. .	i, ii, iii, et iiii.	Item de M. Roberto Beaumont prebendario de Teynton pro integro anno	xx marcas

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Whitby iiii.	Item de M. Ricardo Whitby prebendario prebende de Sclepe pro vltima solucione primi anni viz pro termino pasche ...	vi s viii d
Langrysh iiii°.	Item de M. Roberto Langerissh prebendario prebende de Durneford pro termino pasche	x s viii d
Chermyster i, ii, 3 et 4	Item de M. Roberto Ascough prebendario prebende de Chermynster et Bere pro primo anno	xiiii marcas
i, ii, 3° et iiii°.	Item de M. Georgio Navyle prebendario prebende de Cherdestoke pro isto primo anno	iiii marcas
Ingram iiii°.	Item de M. Willelmo Ingraham prebendario prebende de Heyghworth pro tercio et quarto termino primi anni viz termino pasche	xxxiii s iiii d
Ascough i, ii, iii, et iiii.	Item de M. Roberto Aschough prebendario prebende de Alton Boryal pro isto primo integro anno	xxvi s viii d
Westbury i, ii, iii, et iiii.	Item de M. Willelmo Westbury prebendario prebende de Shypton pro isto primo integro anno	vi marcas
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. . . .	[Item] de M. Iohanne Paslew prebendario prebende de Chesynbury pro iiii^{to} termino primi anni	xiii s iiii d
. . . .	[Item de] M. Willelmo Vaux prebendario prebende de Bytton pro termino pasche ...	xx s
. . . .	[Item de] M. Iohanne Symondesburgh thesaurario pro vltimo termino primi anni ...	xl s
. . . .	[Item de] M. Willelmo Toly prebendario prebende de Bedmynstre et Radclyf pro ii vltimis terminis primi anni Natiuitatis domini et Annunciacionis beate Marie ...	xxvi s viii d
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. . . .	Item de M. W. Nessyngwike prebendario de Preston in plena solucione primi anni per manus M. Ricardi Whitby facta xxii^{du} die mensis Maii anno domini 1456to	xxx s
. . . .	Item de M. I. Stratton prebendario de Combe per manus M. R. Whitby in plenam solucionem primi anni	liii s iiii d
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Carant.	In primis de M. Nicholao Caraunt prebendario prebende de Yatmystre et Grymstane pro primo termino tercii anni videlicet Sancti Iohannis Baptiste per manus M. Iohannis Cranbourne	xx s
Payn.	Item de Magistro Iohanne Payn prebendario prebende de Bemyster prima per manus Iohannis Nowton xx Octobris Anno domini 1454to pro duobus terminis viz. Sancti Iohannis Baptiste et sancti Michaelis ...	xxvi s viii d
Payn.	Item de eodem M. Iohanne Payn per manus M. Iohannis Lovell pro termino Natiuitatis domini tercii anni	xiii s iiii d
Payn.	Item de M. Iohanne Payn per manus Iohannis Nowton xxiii Augusti anno domini 1455 in completam solucionem tocius taxe sue prebende pro tribus annis complete factis in festo Natiuitatis sancti Iohannis Baptiste vltimo iam transacto ...	xiii s iiii d
Bermyngham.	Item tercio Octobris anno domini 1455to de Magistro Fulcone Bermyngham prebendario de Bedewynde per manus Iohannis Wolley de Warmyster in plenam solucionem xx li ...	vi li xiii s iiii d
Cranborn.	Item de M. I. Cranborn prebendario de Burbage in plenam solucionem tercii anni ...	viii marcas

Drew.	Item de M. R. Drew prebendario prebende de Lyme pro completa solucione tercii anni	xxvi s viii d
Kymer.	Item de domino decano pro plenaria solucione tercii anni...	viii marcas
Ingram.	Item de M. W. Ingram pro plenaria solucione tercii anni...	x marks
Holes.	Item de M. A. Holes prebendarii de Brixworth pro plenaria solucione tercii anni ...	iiii marks
Whitby.	Item de M. R. Whitby prebendario de Slepe pro plenaria solucione tercii anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Crowton.	Item de M. W. Crowton prebendario de Yatmynster prima pro plenaria solucione tercii anni	iiii marks
Paslew.	Item de M. I. Paslew prebendario de Chesyngbury pro plenaria solucione tercii anni	iiii marks
Episcopus.	Item de domino Episcopo Sarum per manus M. R. Drew in plenariam solucionem tercii anni	xxv marcas
Baylyf.	Item de domino Waltero Baylyf prebendario prebende de Stratford x^mo Maii 1456^to in plenariam solucionem omnium solucionum trium annorum per manus domini Iohannis Lovell	xxi s iiii d
	Item de domino Abbate de Shirborn prebendario prebende ibidem xx^mo die Maii 1456 in partem solucionis quote concernentis taxam prebende sue taxate in anno ad xl li x li per manus M. Ricardi Whitby sic est	x li

	Item M. W. Crowton soluit xxi° die mensis Maii 1456^to^ pro M. Roberto Langryssh de taxa prebende sue de Durneford in plenam solucionem pro tempore suo	xlii s viii d
	Item de M. Thoma Swyfte prebendario de Axeford per manus Iohannis Chafyn in plenam solucionem	viii s
Pyvyle.	Item de M. Iohanne Pyvyle prebendario de Yatmynster ii^da^ per manus M. Ricardi Whitby xxii^do^ maii anno domini 1456^to^ pro primo termino tercii anni	xiii s iiii d

Memorandum quod decanus et Capitulum receperunt ex mutuo de domino W. Ingram confratre eorum pro canonizatione beati Osmundi xxiiii^to^ mensis maii anno Regis xxxiiii^to^ quadraginta li ad quas resoluendas decanus et duo magistri fabrice viz Cranborn et Trovy in festo Sancti Michaelis proximo futuro sine vlteriori dilatione fide media promiserunt.

Andrew.	Memorandum quod M. Andreas Holes Cancellarius soluit pro M. Ricardo Andrew nuper prebendario de Stratton et iam prebendario de Grantham Borialis in festo Sancte Margarete virginis anno domini M°CCCC lvi^to^ et sic in toto soluit octo libras xiii s iiii d	vi li xiii s iiii d
Curteney.	Item in festo decollacionis Sancti Iohannis Baptiste de Petro Curteney prebendario prebende de Nythirbury in terra per manus Ricardi Crome pro primo termino tercii anni	xiii s iiii d

Shirborn.	Item de Abbate de Shirborn per manus seruientis sui et debet sex li	vi li
Beamont.	Item de M. Roberto Beamont prebendario de Teynton Regis per manus M. W. Crowton et Andree Holes xiiii^{mo} die mensis Octobris anno domini M^{o}CCCC lvi^{to} octo libras sicut patet per billam desuper indentatam liberatam ad manus receptorum pecuniarum pro canonizatione beati Osmundi	viii li
Normanton.	Item M. W. Normanton prebendarius de Feryngdon soluit suprascripto xiiii^{mo} die octobris per manus M. A. Holes et Crowton septem libras vt patet [per] billam indentatam et liberatam ad manus dictorum receptorum	vii li
Hayman.	Item dominus Ricardus Hayman prebendarius de Alton pancracii soluit suprascripto xiiii^{mo} die octobris per manus dictorum A. Holes et W. Crowton quinquaginta tres solidos quatuor denarios in plenam solutionem omnium pecuniarum ab eodem Ricardo delatarum pro canonizatione beati Osmundi vt patet [per] billam desuper indentatam liberatam vt supra ...	liii s iiii d

Memorandum de summis debitis per canonicos obtinentes prebendas sacerdotales in ecclesia cathedrali Sarum de solucione quinte partis trium annorum ad canonizationem beati Osmundi.

Brigon.	Item de M. I. Brigon pro primo termino tercii anni pro prebenda de Rotiscamp ...	v s
Ayscogh.	Item de M. Roberto Ayscogh prebendario de Alton borial per manus M. Ricardi Whitby in plenam solucionem tercii anni	xlvi s viii d
Carant.	Item xxv mensis octobris de M. W. Carant prebendario de Grymstan sexaginta solidos in plenam solucionem iiii li pro tercio anno et sic quietus est	iii li
Mannyng.	Item de M. Thoma Mannyng thesaurario pro duobus vltimis terminis tercii anni per manus Ricardi Flynte	iiii li
Redhyll	Item de M. Iohanne Redhyll prebendario de Preston per manus M. Ricardi Whytby pro ii^{bus} primis terminis tercii anni	xx s
Curtenay	Item de Curtenay per manus M. R. Whitby	xls in plenam solucionem
Walysby	Item de Walysby per manus Willelmi Hamball xxii Iunii anno Regis Henrici vi^{ti} xxxv^{to} in plenam solucionem xii^{li} solutum	viii li

. . . . [sequuntur soluciones] canonicorum pro canonizacione venerabilis Osmundi secundum taxam huius modi pro primo termino secundi Anni viz pro termino [Sancti Iohannis Baptiste] anno domini MCCCC 37

Whitby	In primis de M. Ricardo Whitby prebendario prebende de Sclepe pro primo termino viz sancti Iohannis Baptiste	vi s viii d
Langryssh	Item de Magistro Roberto Langerissh prebendario prebende de Dourneford pro termino sancti Iohannis Baptiste	x s viii d
Nevyle	Item de M. Georgio Navyle prebendario prebende de Cherdestoke pro isto primo termino sancti Iohannis Baptiste ...	xiii s iiii d
Aiscogh	Item de M. Roberto Aschowe prebendario prebende de Alton Borial pro isto primo termino viz sancti Iohannis ...	vi s viii d
Kymer	Item de M. Gilberto Kymer decano ecclesie Sarum et prebendario de Heyghtesbury pro primo termino secundi anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Carant	Item de M. Nicholao Caraunt per manus Iohannis Cranbourn pro primo termino secundi anni	xx s
Payn	Item de M. Iohanne Payn prebendario prebende de Beamynster prima per manus M. Newton pro primo termino ...	xiii s iiii d
Kirkeby pro ii terminis	Item de M. Thoma Kirkeby prebendario prebende de Remysbury videlicet termino natiuitatis sancti Iohannis Baptiste et Michaelis ...	iiii marcas

Pyvyle	Item de M. Iohanne Pyvyle prebendario prebende de Yat myster 2da pro duobus terminis viz sancti Iohannis Baptiste et Michaelis	xxvi s viii d
Whitby	Item de M. Ricardo Whitby prebendario prebende de Slepe pro termino Michaelis ...	vi s viii d
Brygon	Item de Magistro Willelmo Brygon prebendario prebende de Roscamp pro duo terminis secundi anni videlicet Sancti Iohannis Baptiste et Michaelis	x s
Payn	Item de M. Iohanne Payne prebendario prebende de Beamynster prima per manus domini decani pro secundo termino secundi anni	xiii s iiii d
Kymer	Item de M. Gilberto Kymer decano prebendario prebende de Heythtrysbury pro iii^{bus} terminis 2^{di} anni videlicet Sancti Michaelis Natiuitatis domini et Annunciacionis Beate Marie	iiii li
Payn	Item de M. Iohanne Payne prebendario prebende de Bemynster prima per manus Iohannis Wynford pro 3^{o} termino 2^{di} anni	[xiii s iiii d]
Holes	Item de M. Andrea Holes prebendario prebende de Brikelesworth pro iiii^{or} terminis secundi anni	liii s iiii d
Kymer.	Item de M. Gilberto Kymer decano pro vltimo termino secundi anni	xxvi s viii d

Paslew.	Item de M. Iohanne Paslew prebendario prebende de Chesyngbury pro primo et 2° terminis secundi anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Vaux.	Item de M. Willelmo Vaux prebendario prebende de Bytton pro primo termino secundi anni	xx s
	Item de eodem M. Willelmo Vaux pro 2° termino 2^{di} anni viz Michaelis	xx s
Payn.	Item de Magistro Iohanne Payn prebendario prebende de Bemyster prima per manus domini Decani pro vltimo termino secundi anni ...	xiii s iiii d
Westbury.	Item de Magistro Willelmo Westbury prebendario prebende de Shipton per manus domini decani pro ii^{do} anno integro	iiii li
Norton.	Item de M. Iohanne Norton prebendario prebende de Horton per manus Henrici Weyeman clerici pro primo termino secundi anni viz Natiuitatis Sancti Iohannis Baptiste	xxvi s viii d
Toly.	Item de M. W. Toly prebendario de Bedmyster et Radclyffe pro ii terminis secundi anni videlicet natiuitatis Sancti Iohannis Baptiste et Michaelis	xxvi s viii d
	Item xvii die mensis Iulii de M. Rogero Keys prebendario de Bleubury pro solucione quatuor terminorum videlicet Sancti Iohannis Baptiste	v li vi s viii d

	Michaelis Natiuitatis domini et Annunciacionis beate Marie per manus M. I. Cranborn ...	
Caraunt.	Item de M. Nicholao Caraunt prebendario prebende de Yatmyster et Grymstane pro iii terminis secundi anni videlicet Michaelis Natiuitatis domini et Annunciacionis beate Marie per manus M. Iohannis Cranborne	lx s
Bermyngham.	Item xxvii die Marcii anno domini M°CCCC lv^to^ de M. Fulcone Bermyngham prebendario de Bedewynd per manus Iohannis Wolley decem marcas pro secundo anno integro	vi li xiii s iiii d
Tryvylion.	Item tercio octobris anno domini M°CCCC l^mo^ quinto de M. Henrico Tryvylion per manus Iohannis Wolley pro prima solucione secundi anni	vi s viii d
Cranborn.	Item de M. I. Cranborn prebendario de Burbage pro prima solucione secundi anni ...	viii marcas
Drew.	Item de M. W. Drew prebendario de Lyme pro completa solucione ii^di^ anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Ingram.	Item de M. W. Ingram pro plenaria solucione ii^di^ anni ...	x mark
Brygon.	Item de M. W. Brygon prebendario de Rotyscamp pro ii^do^ termino secundi anni ...	x s
Whitby.	Item de M. R. Whitby prebendario de Slepe pro plenaria solucione ii^di^ anni ...	xiii s iiii d

Crowton.	Item de M. W. Crowton prebendario de Yatmynster prima pro plenaria solucione ii^{di} anni	iiii mark
Paslew.	Item de M. I. Paslew prebendario de Chesyngbury pro plenaria solucione ii^{di} anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Swyfte.	Item de M. Thoma Swyfte prebendario de Axeford per manus Iohannis Chafyn	viii s
Pyvyle.	Item xxii^{do} maii anno domini 1456to per manus M. Ricardi Whitby in plenariam solucionem istius ii^{di} anni ...	xxvi s viii d
Nessyngwike.	Item de M. W. Nessyngwike prebendario de Preston pro primo termino ii^{di} anni per manus M. Ricardi Whitby facta xxii^{do} maii anno domini 1456to	x s
Combe.	Item de M. I. Stratton prebendario de Combe per manus M. Ricardi Whitby pro tribus terminis secundi anni ...	xl s
Nessyngwike.	Item de M. W. Nessyngwike per manus M. Ricardi Whitby pro prebenda de Preston ...	xiii s
Nessyngwyk.	Item xxviii nouembris de M. W. Nessyngwyke per manus M. R[icardi Whitby] ...	xvi s
Curteney.	Item in festo decollacionis Sancti Iohannis Baptiste 1456 de Petro Curteney prebendario prebende de Nethirbury in ecclesia in plenam solucionem secundi anni per manus Ricardi Crome	liii s iiii d
Norton ii^{do}	Item xxi octobris 1456 de M. Iohanne Norton prebendario de Horton per manus Thome Hille	xxvi s viii d

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Ayscogh.	Item iii^{clo} die mensis nouembris 1456 de M. Roberto Ayscogh prebendario de Chermynster et Bere pro ii^{do} anno ...	xiiii mark
Walysby.	Item xx^{mo} die nouembris anno domini supradicto de domino Willelmo Walysby prebendario de Fordington per manus W. Hambal sexaginta solidos ...	lx s
Westbury.	Item xxi^{mo} nouembris anno domini supradicto de domino W. Westbury prebendario de Shipton per manus Iohannis Water iiii li in plenam et completam solucionem xii li ...	iiii li
Beamont.	Item xxvi^{to} nouembris de M. R. Beamont prebendario de Teynton Regis per manus Philippi Laton	vi li xiii s iiii d
Nevyle.	Item primo decembris anno domini supradicto de Georgeo Nevyle prebendario de Cherdestoke per manus Iohannis Delf de Mertok in plenam solucionem	vii mark
Kyrkeby.	Item ii^{do} decembris anno domini supradicto de domino Thoma Kirkeby prebendario de Remysbury per manus M. W. Crowton	x mark
Stratton.	Item de M. I. Stratton in completam solucionem prebende sue de Combe	lxvi s viii d
Nessyngwik.	Item de Nessyngwyk pro prebenda de Stratton v marcas et debet xiii s iiii d	

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Ingram et Ricardum Trove Canonicos Receptores pecuniarum prefate taxe ad canonizacionem sancti Osmundi inserto in libro intitulato Ludus philosophorum plurima alia clarius descripta eiusdem negocii solennis existunt fo xx.

[*Payments and Expenses.*]

Liberationes et Expense denariorum circa canonizationem beati Osmundi. 38 *b*

In primis liberauerunt Magistro Nicholao Vpton precentori ecclesie Sarum et procuratoribus suis ad vices quia solicitauit causam canonizationis in curia romana	
Item liberauerunt Magistro Symoni Houchyns ad vices pro consimili causa	
Item soluerunt Magistro Andree Holes pro literis per ipsum conceptis et missis romam. Item clericis eiusdem pro scriptura earundem in toto	xxxiii s iiii d
Item contulerunt vni fratri ordinis minorum portanti literam a M. N. Vpton ad capitulum	vi s viii d
Item soluerunt Symoni Nory Mercatori florentino de banco de medicis pro destinatione literarum ad Curiam ad vices	
Item in expensis Walteri Sacriste equitantis ad diuersa loca Anglie pro diuersis dicte canonizationis negociis expediendis	
Item in regardo dato famulo Symonis Nory predicti portanti literas	vi s viii d
Item eidem famulo quia venit cum literis nunciantibus expeditionem dicte cause ...	xx s
Item in expensis M. Radulphi Drew equitantis ad dominum Episcopum pro dicta causa ...	xiii s iiii d

Item in regardo facto Henrico Brilond pro scriptura duarum literarum ... ... } xx d

Item pro duo quaternis papiri emptis vna vice ... ... } v d

Item in regardo dato Hugoni Stallyng famulo M. I. Lax portanti literas a sede apostolica concernentes canonizationem sancti Osmundi ... } xxxiii s iiii d

In pergameno et papiro alia vice emptis ... xi d

Item in expensis predicti Symonis venientis a london et regardo suo ... ... } xx s xx d

Item in cera empta ad sigillandas citationes et literas testimoniales dirigendas ad curiam cum ligulis sericis ... ... } ii s ii d

Item pro sacculis lineis ordinatis pro pecuniis sancti Osmundi reponendis in eisdem ... } vi d

Item in expensis Magistrorum Ricardi Whitby et Symonis Huchons equitantium ad dominum Episcopum ex decreto capituli pro causa predicta cum primis literis apostolicis ... } xiii s iiii d

Item soluerunt cuidam vecturali portanti literas et diuersa munimenta a london per manus M. Richardi Holes ... ... } iiii d

Item in expensis Symonis Braban equitantis pluribus et diuersis vicibus in negociis dicte canonizationis ex ordinacione capituli ... }

Item in expensis domini Rogeri Garge equitantis cum famulo ad M. Robertum Beomond ad Brissam pro pecuniis habendis ab eodem ... } xvi d

Item pro portagio literarum vltimo missarum in Angliam per M. I. Lax per manus Willelmi Hayford de london solutas domino Willelmo Lax ... ... } xxii d

Item in expensis equitantis ad Nethirbury in Ecclesia cum litera M. I. Druell ad firmarium suum ibidem expectantis per quatuor dies ... } iii s iiii d

Item in expensis et allocatis Iohanni Honythorn vecturali Sarum pro cariagio et vectura ii^{c}L marcarum london in escambium pro negocio dicte canonizationis et aliis negociis

Item in regardo dato Cognato M. I. Lax deferenti literas apostolicas sub plumbo ad capitulum ... ... } iii li vi s viii d

Item solutum M. Matheo portanti ad dominum Episcopum et Capitulum vnam magnam massam literarum ... ... } v s

Summa totalis recepta per dominos Willelmum Ingram et Ricardum Trove Canonicos deputatos per dominum Decanum et Capitulum ad recipiendas quotas prebendarum taxatarum ad canonizationem et translationem sancti Osmundi iiii^{c} xix li xiii s. 39 *b*

Summa totalis pecuniarum ad predicta mutuatarum ... ... } iii^{c}xii li

Summa totalis vtriusque Summe coniuncte vii^{c}xxxi li xiii s

De qua soluuntur mercatori florentino ... v^{c}xv li

Item in pecuniis deliberatis ad diuersas alias personas ... ... } ^{xx}Ciii ix li xii s viii d

Item in pecuniis deliberatis ... ... xxx li vii s iii d

Iste due summe soluebantur ad M. I. Lax. } Item in pecuniis deliberatis vi li xiii s iiii d; Item in pecuniis deliberatis x li

[3 *January* 145$\frac{4}{7}$. *Mandate of the Pope to the Dean and Chapter.*]

Calistus Episcopus, seruus seruorum dei, venerabili fratri Ricardo Episcopo et dilectis filiis decano et Capitulo Saresbiriensi salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Quantas summo bonorum omnium largitori gracias, Quantasve laudes exsoluere debeamus, nemo sane mentis ignorat, cum iam dudum ceptam canonizationem sacri antistitis vestri Osmundi diuque inter- 40 *b*

ceptam et tot annorum spaciis intermissam, opitulante domino ad finem deduxerimus peroptatum. Quare, frater Episcope et vos filii dilecti, agite dies leticie, et confitemini illi qui pro sua pietate et infinita clementia nobis ad exequendum onus pregrande nostrisque humeris impar vires tribuit, vobisque exultabilem diem tantopere expectatam videre concessit. Quis namque altissimi profunda consilia eiusque prouidencie altitudinem aut metiri aut vnquam inuestigare potuit, ut nobis senio iam confectis reseruaretur implendum quod robustis et validis nequaquam denegatum dixerimus sed vtique non permissum. Tanto equidem magis atque magis ipsum misericordiarum patrem omnipotentem collaudare, benedicere, et coram omnibus predicare, tenemur, tantoque illi maiores graciarum actiones persoluere, quanto ipse pietatis auctor imbecillitati nostre pro gloria et honore dignissimi presulis antedicti sueque Ecclesie sancte venustate pariter et decore ac omnium fidelium potissime Regni Anglie deuotorum salute id perspeximus esse completum. Vt igitur locus ad quem ipsius gloriosi antistitis sacre reliquie iuxta aliarum nostrarum continentiam literarum transferri debent, digne et honorifice preparari ac secundum illarum exigenciam ornari valeant prouidere volentes, auctoritate apostolica tenore presentium Statuimus ac etiam ordinamus quod omnes et singule elemosine et oblationes fidelium quas ex nunc in antea in loco predicto fieri contigerit, in ornamentum loci et reliquiarum earumdem primo ac deinde postquam locus et reliquie huiusmodi decenter ornati fuerint, creditorbus qui pecunias pro expensis circa canonizationem huiusmodi factis et propterea ab eis mutuo acceptas integre satisfiat. Postremo vero residuum in fabricam et reparationem ipsius ecclesie, prout hactenus obseruatum est, perpetuis futuris temporibus absque diminutione aliqua penitus conuertantur. Quocirca discretioni vestre per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus, quatenus in premissis et circa ea sic solicite et solerter intendere, ac partes vestras prout expediens fuerit efficaciter interponere curetis, vt iuxta commune nostrum et vestrum pium desiderium premissa debite executioni demandentur, ac meritis eiusdem sancti vobis condigna retributio et a nobis paterna benedictio digne valeant prouenire. Nulli igitur homini liceat hanc paginam nostrorum statuti ordinationis commissionis et mandati infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignationem omni-

potentis dei ac beatorum petri et pauli apostolorum eius se nouerit incursurum. Datum Rome apud sanctum petrum anno Incarnationis dominice M° cccc^mo Lvi^to tercio nonas Ianuarii, pontificatus nostri anno secundo.

Gratis de mandato domini nostri

[*Memoranda of Expenses, etc.*]

Memorandum quod xxvi^to die mensis Iulii 1457 Receptum est de Cista quam dominus Willelmus Fydyon[b] seruauit 41 b[a]

In grossis	v li. xi s viii d		
In duplicibus denariis ...	xix s iiii d	} xviii li xix s v d	
In auro	x li x s		
In sterlingis	xxxviii s v d		

Memorandum quod summa of silver and makyng and stonys ... ... xx iiii ii li xiii s

For Saynt Osmundis hede with the garnyshyng . .
Whereof is receyved be an endenture in a . . .
Item in the Wyghte of certayn stonys . . .
Summa xix li

And so ther is be hynde of the Weyght . .
Summa xviii li

for the makyng of the same hede . . .
for the mendying of the gilt siluer . . .
For ii stonys for the poynts of the myter ... iii s
For xx grete stonys for the mytre and the fote ... xiii s iiii d
For xxvi stonys for the mytre ... ... xii s

[a] This sheet of the MS. has been much injured.

[b] William Fydyon, rector of Warminster 1448, which he exchanged the same year for Stratford Tony, Preb. of Lyme and Halstock 1456 and of Chute and Chisenbury 1459, lived in the house at the extreme N.W. angle of the Close, where his name is to be seen carved in relief on stone on the cornice of the wall; the stones have been misplaced so that it now appears as ION · W · FID. He died on the 24th of January 147$\frac{1}{2}$ "alieno ere nimis pergravatus" (Machon Reg. De Testamentis Rubrica p. 239) and was buried in the Cathedral.

For xvi stonys for the Crowne ... ... viii s
For a cofyn of Tymbre ... ... xviii d

Summa lii li xx d ob et sic debentur Iohanni Iewe aurifabro dictum caput* faciens in denariis preter xi li viii unc : iii quatern : argenti eidem restituendi xxxiii li vi s iiii d ob : De quibus sibi satisfactum est et indentura inter dominum Episcopum et ipsum factum hincinde restituuntur

* *sic*

Memorandum de pecuniis oblatis ad tumbam sancti Os[*mundi*].[a]

42 In primis a die sabbati usque diem Martis et tempus prandendi in meridie In auro

In grossis ... ... xii li
In penyse of iid ... ... iii li vii s viii d
In simplicibus denariis ... ... xviii li

Summa Li li xiiii s iiii d

Die mercuri . . cibus denariis . .
In grossis . . . . . .
In halpenyes . . . . . .
. .uyngs . . . . . .
. .ynford . nt . . .

In p . . . . . .
Item w . . . . . .
Item p . . . . . .
xxvii In . . . . . .
In gros . . . . . .
In du . . . . . .
In te . . . . . .
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Memorandum q . . . . .

[a] Of this sheet (pages 42 and 42 *b*) only a few tattered fragments remain

Item Po . . . . . .
in copi . . . . . .
Item eidem Ioh . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item ad . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
et in . . . . . .
Item . . . . . .
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[*Translation of St. Osmund.*]

. . . Iulii anno domini M°iiii°Lvii^mo translatio sancti Osmundi 42 *b*
auctoritate sedis apostolice solempnizata est . . . . . Rex
contulit vnam tabulam auream ex cuius altera parte ymago
sancte trinitatis . . . . . sunt xliiii grete perylys et xi
blew precious stonys and a chayne of . . . . . gyng
with a blew precious . . . . . et in summitate tabule erat
vnus preciosus . . . . . m quidem preciosi uid
. . . . . erat saphirus seu sapiri.
. . . . . bulam minorem aur . . . . . pulcram
cum cathena pendenti in cuius me . . . . . .
in bordura sunt . . . . . lapides preciosi et perule
grosse . . . . . ate in medio et . . . . .
extremitatibus . . . . . thena aurea pendens
. . . . . in cuius vno folio . . . . .
In altero . . . . . extremitates . . . . . sunt
perulis . . . . . us sinistro fol . . . . . .
sancti Ioh . . . . . itur quis contin . . . . . .
. . . . . bal . . . . . ond . . .
. . . . . .
. . . . . ii lytill

[9 *December* 1454 (?) *Letter from Bishop Beauchamp to the Dean & Chapter.*]

43 [a] Worshipful and withal myne . . . . . me to you and for as myche as by the dessese of our brother M. I. Symondysburgh . . . . . ys voyde and belongyth to yowr yeffte and our chapytre the whyche . . . . . heryby praie yow ye like to remembre yowrself and yowr bretheren vppon Symon H[uchy]ns and how good sirvyse he hath done to you att ye courte and that yt lykyd yow to rewarde hym with [the said] offyce . . . . . and y suppos he schall do yow bothe worship and profyte to the place with . . . . . haue yow . . . . . att Rammysbery the ix day of december

R. B.
Sarum

De sterlinggis xv li xiiii s vii d de quibus soluuntur M. Simoni Hochones pro pecunia mutuata ab eodem pro canonizacione sancti Osmundi xiii li vi s viii d

Et sic de dicta Summa xv li xiiii s vii d
in Grossis et sterlinggis xlvii s xi d

[*The following is written upon the back of the above.*]

xxix Iulii

Summa oblata cxlvii li xv s vii d ob :
Summa soluta cxiii li xiiii s . . . . . .
Et remanet xxxiiii li xix d ob
Videlicet in auro xviii li xs. . . . . .
Item in mutuatis Capellano M. I. Stokys vii li xvii s i d ob
debitum M. R. Drew
in denariis vii li
in obolis xiii s iiii d

[a] This is an original document (very difficult to read, the ink having eaten through the paper), and is a holograph letter of Bishop Beauchamp, and seems to be a recommendation of Simon Huchyns for election as Custos of the College of Vaux. John Symondesburgh died on the 4th of Decr. 1454, being at the time of his death master or Custos of the "domus scholarium de Valle," and the election of his successor rested with the Dean and Chapter. If my surmise is correct the Bishop's advocacy was unsuccessful, the Chapter on the 12th of Decr. electing John Cranborn.

[*Receipt from Dean Gilbert Kymer for £14 8s. 8d.*]

Memorandum quod Gilbertus Kymer decanus ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum recepit de Magistro Willelmo Crowton super certam summam per ipsum mutuatam ecclesie pro translacione Sancti Osmundi. xxvii$^{\text{u}}$ die mensis aprilis anno Regis Henrici vi$^{\text{ti}}$ xxxv$^{\text{o}}$ xiiii li viii s viii d

[*The following is written upon the back of the above.*]

Summa totalis recepta per receptores iiii$^{\text{e}}$ xix li xiii s
Summa mutuata iii$^{\text{e}}$ xii li
Summa totalis vtriusque vii$^{\text{e}}$ xxxi li et xii s de qua summa solutum mercatori florentino v$^{\text{e}}$ xvli
Item in pecuniis deliberatis ciii$^{\text{xx}}$ ix li xii s viii
Item in deliberatis xxx li vii s iii d
Item —— vi li xiii s iiii d
Item x li ————
solutos ad lax

[*The following notes and memoranda are written upon the back of the wrapper* (*see introduction*).]

De expensis et scriptura continens canonizacionem Sancti Osmundi et cetera memoranda Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarr:

Conuocacio decani et capituli Sarum } Taxaciones prebendarum In Conuocacione facta auctoritate Decani et Capituli ad contribucionem pro canonizacione obtinenda Sancti Osmundi Episcopi et aliis Ecclesie Sarum negociis Et cetera fo xxxi xxxii xxxiii 33 34 35 36 et in libro consimilis papiri intitulato Ludus philosophorum. Compotus M. W. Ingram et Rici Trove Canonicorum est descriptus continens negocium huiusmodi canonizacionis } fo. 31

Memorandum quod data acquietancie facte M. I. S. est anno Regis H. vi$^{\text{ti}}$ xxix
Receptio xxv marcarum per M. I. S.
nouembris

Anno domini M°CCCC xxviii mensis octobris die iii° . . . . . .
Anno domïni M°CCCC xxxii^do primo die

[a] Summa diffinitiua contra fratres pro sepultura et aliis

Iacobus Boteler Comes Wilts et Ormonie
Robertus Hungerford dominus de Hungerford et Humett Baro
Willelmus de Bello Campo dominus de Sancto Amando Baro
Iohannes Stourton dominus de Stourton et Baro
Edmundus Hungerford Miles
Iohannes Beynton Miles
Iohannes Sengmour Miles
Robertus Harcourt Miles
Iohannes Chalers Miles
Iohannes Lysle Miles
Robertus Shotysbrok Miles
Willelmus Stourton Miles

[a] This must have been the original endorsement.

APPENDIX I.

[a] *The Pope's Bull of Canonization.*

Exordium. Calistus Episcopus seruus seruorum dei ad perpetuam rei memoriam. Summus opifex, qui eterne legis imperio cuncta que condidit prouida moderatione gubernat, ante mundi constitucionem per lapsum prothoplausti humanum genus miserabili servituti, morti scilicet, et damnationis eterne, obnoxium fore preuidens, vt preuaricatione perditum hominem, quem ab Angelis paulo minorem ad suam Imaginem similitudinemque formauit, non suis meritis, sed inextimabili sua caritate, congrua satisfactione redimeret, regnique celestis municipem faceret, et sui vnigeniti coheredem, de summo celorum solio ad ima prospiciens, nichilque decentius redemptioni nostre, plenitudine temporis ingruente, verbi sui incarnatione diiudicans conuenire, vnicum suum filium ante luciferum et secula genitum in vterum pre-electe virginis habitaculum sibi cooperante spiritu sancto preparatum Angelo nunciante, et eodem spiritu obumbrante transmisit, vt trabea nostre mortalitatis assumpta nobis insibilis appareret, fieretque salubre remedium, singulare presidium, et pro peccatis hominum propitiatio deus homo, cuius quidem ab infantia actiones, et gesta ad nostram profecto doctrinam nostramque salutem instituta, donec e mundo transiturus ad patrem, pacem discipulis, pacem terris, et cunctis fidelibus postrema secundum carnem relinqueret voluntate, tot vite exemplaris misteriis, tot insuper salutaribus sacramentis redundare noscuntur, vt ineffabilem diuine sapientie altitudinem, incomprehensibilem scientiam, profunda consilia, rerum ordinem admirabilem, et inuestigabiles vias lingua carnis disserere aut intellectus inuestigare nequeat, cum imperfectio conditionis humane non solum in causis operum deficiat perscrutandis, verum in ipsis causarum operibus vix sufficiat admirari, quod vtique vas ille electionis ad celum vsque tercium raptus, admiratione et stupore repletus, prorumpens in vocem

[a] This is taken from a collection of copies of documents in the Salisbury Diocesan Registry called the Registrum Rubrum (fo. 127*b*). The marginal notes are from the printed Bullarium.

exclamat, o altitudo diuitiarum sapientie, et scientie dei! quam incomprehensibilia sunt iudicia eius, et inuestigabiles vie eius! Alto igitur illius consilio, qui secundum ordinem Melchisedech sacerdos est maximus, factum est, vt ex eadem virgine natus orbis conditor, et progressus in tempus renouandus fonte baptismatis quemadmodum de eterna morte iter nobis pateret ad uitam stupentis in unda Iordanis, proprio lauacro sacrisque operibus plurimis doceret pariter, et exemplis. Et ne quisquam fugacis vite huius allectus illecebris commutacionem presentium pro eterne glorie adeptione paueret, postquam cuncta ad nostram salutem rite peregerat, immaculatam sese hostiam in ara crucis morte quidem turpissima obtulit deo patri; suique preciosissimi sanguinis effusione, non auro, naturam redemit humanam, militantemque fundauit ecclesiam, consecrauit, et ne portis inferi aut mortis legibus subiaceret vsque ad finem seculi stabiliuit. Et quamuis professionis sue comites sanctos apostolos, aliosque discipulos corporali presentia relicturus, se nobiscum semper adesse predixerit, pro regendo tamen vniuersalis tunc nascentis ecclesie firmamento, celestis Regni clauigero Petro in suam successorumque pontificum personas claues regni celorum, ligandi videlicet et soluendi tradidit potestatem, suique gregis, suique ouilis curam vigilem, ac regimen speciale commisit, sponsam quoque suam nullam habentem rugam neque maculam sacrosanctam ecclesiam apostolicam, que non saxorum mole, sed uirtutibus edificatur vt ciuitas admirabili firmitate stabiliens super seipsum edificauit, et ad euidentem roboris firmitatem se vnum constituit angularis lapidem firmamenti. In aliis vero sanctis et electis suis catholice doctrine columnis alia fundamenta substituens, vt in montibus fundata sanctissimis nullum vereri posset ruine dispendium, sed continuo sanctorum innouata splendoribus nequaquam sub modio depressa lateret, verum etiam sublimata per amplius cunctis preberet salutis exemplum: hanc itaque veluti reginam a dextris suis in vestitu deaurato per eximium prophetarum affirmat assistere mira varietate virtutum circumdatam, id est sanctorum et electorum suorum, quibus per spiritum sanctum varia distribuit munera gratiarum. Namque aliis sapientie aliis scientie sermonem dedit; aliis fidem, aliis sanitatum atque virtutum gratias, alias prophetia, discretionemque spirituum, linguarum quoque genera, interpretacionemque sermonum prouida moderatione concessit, diuidendo singulis pro

sue mirifice voluntatis arbitrio. Ea namque est mira et decora varietas in summo angulari lapide Christo Iesu coedificata quam gloriosus Apostolorum chorus, electorumque spirituum, societasue sanctorum omnium quotidie representat. Sed ante alios ad componendum in terris doctrine celestis exordium, et noue fidei fundamentum, hos mundi triumphatores Apostolos duodenos preelegit ex milibus, aliosque discipulos, vt eorum doctrina in orbem terrarum longe lateque diffusa sacrosancta fulgeret ecclesia, vt uetusta seruitute sublata, cunctis fidelibus salutis, et vite semita pandaretur. Isti quidem sunt Magistri optimi imitatores verique discipuli, qui in omnem terram celestem imbrem, et diuina misteria diffundentis sanguine proprio plantauerunt ecclesiam prelibatam, ac per vniuersum orbem crucis circumtulere vexillum. Triumphales deinde post duces hos preuios athletarum, et martirum suorum cohortem lucidissimam, palmam martiris rutilantem, et in sanguine agni candidatam diuicta morte transmisit, qui in confessione fidei perseuerantes intrepidi vincula cruciatus et verbera, plurima quoque tormentorum seuissima genera, mortemque perpessi, sine murmure aut querimonia victores optimi ad eterna gaudia et preparata eis munera properarunt, imitandum exemplum eternamque memoriam cunctis de se fidelibus relinquentes. Illustrant etiam hanc eandem ecclesiam et supernam Ierusalem nouam ad ipsius validissimum presidium destinati doctores incliti, ac splendidissimi sacerdotes et confessores, qui fide et lenitate preclari, castitate pollentes, non caduca et transitoria mundi huius oblectamenta, non fallaces diuitias, sed que Ihesu Christi sunt tota animi intencione querentes, sanctarumque operationum exercitacione animas deo lucrifacere, imbecilles regere, fidem catholicam verbo et exemplo corroborare in omni doctrina et sapientia curauerunt, ac talenta eis credita, tanquam fideles et prouidi dispensatores, multiplicata patrifamilias reddiderunt, et tandem semetipsos caritatis luce vestitos, iusticie et misericordie margaritis ornatos, atque virtutibus reliquis redimitos absque macula aut admixtione praui operis ante conspectum dei se immaculatos exhibentes velut sidera in firmamento coruscant. Virgines denique ad ornatum regine huius mirificum idem opifex destinauit, que venienti sponso virgini filio virginis vnigenito castis et immaculatis actibus nitidis et mundis corporibus, occurrunt secum in vasis suis oleum deferentes, et ad celestes nuptias specioso pre filiis hominum immaculato Rege inuitante

introeunt cum omnibus sanctis et electis dei, illic sine fine mansure. Omnia namque hec, et alia quam plurima, que potius attenuare quam explicare possemus ad decorem et pulchritudinem Regine huius eodem spiritu sancto gratiarum carismata varia et innumera infundente, tam prouide, tam laudabiliter, et oportune ab eterno ordinata sunt, vt etiam post admirabilem ipsius redemptoris assensionem vinea domini Sabaoth, militans prelibata ecclesia prouidis commissa cultoribus excolenda nouo semper fetu fecundior nouos continuo cultores parturiat, et nouissima sanctorum germina, que eam ab hostilibus tueantur incursibus, et veluti sepe circumdatam illius sanctitudinem illidi non sinant insultibus bestiarum, quotidie reproducat. Ipse namque redemptor noster, qui eam super se lapide quam firmissimo stabiliuit, eandem protegit tuetur atque defensat, eamque in tempore visitat oportuno, iuuat, auget, et ad consummationem seculi nobiscum vsque permanens, nusquam eam deserit nec relinquit, illi semper et vndique noua presidia, nouos milites, nouos cultores exquirit. Sed et ab extremis terrarum insulis, et *Narratio.* remotissimis, totoque orbe diuisis partibus celestis agricola more suo piissimo eandem vineam nouo germine, nouo presule, et cultore dignissimo visitauit, ac ad nouellas virgulus inserendas, vetustasque purgandas, fouendas, regendasue transmisit probatissimi ac exemplaris vite virum mirabilem Osmundum Saresberiensem astititem in hac tam mira Regine huius varietate, sanctorumque cohorti merito collocandum, ac beatorum spirituum cetui suis excellentibus meritis sociandum imo verius sociatum. Cuius quidem originem vite, actus, mores, ac merita, et que summus idem opifex deus in ipsius sanctitatis premium monstrare dignatus est, splendida quoque ipsius miraculi omni pene genti Anglorum presertim regni notissima, ne presens seculum et nostri temporis etas silentio omnino pretermissa ignoret, brui sub compendio complectenda, ac e multis et maximis pauca non reticenda esse censuimus, vt pro ipsius gloriosi presulis et con- *S. Osmundi origo.* fessoris optimi gloria cunctis fidelibus innotescant. Vir namque sanctissimus Osmundus generositate preclarus, stirpe regia, ac etiam ducali nobilissima ortus prosapia, postquam pueriles annos laudabiliter et supra quam illa etas pateretur exegerat, bone indolis adolescens non lasciuiam complexus est mundi, non seculis oblectamentis et voluptatibus dum libere vti posset applicuit animum, sed cor gerens senile, ac omnes sui cordis cogitaciones ad

ipsum creatorem suum, et opera caritatis pietatisque conuertens, in dei timore et proximi caritate eo magis feruebat in dies, quo maiori vtens pro qualitate temporis ratione, cuncta sub sole vanitati subiecta, transitoria, et caduca, iuxta sapientis sententiam fore cognouit. In virum deinde productus, et euangelice doctrine verus imitator existens, ac illud saluatoris nostri semper ante oculos sui cordis fixum tenens, nisi quis renunciauerit omnibus que possidet non potest meus esse discipulus, vt thesauros incomparabiles sibi in celo reconderet, vbi fures nequaquam effodiunt nec furantur, vbi tinea corrodere aut demoliri non potest, de bonis sibi a deo collatis in regno Anglie Saresberiensem ecclesiam, tunc in suis primordiis tenuem et exilem, noua quadam fundatione ac ampla sui patrimonii dote et largitione ditauit, predia scilicet terras et possessiones sui Comitatus Dorsetie, et que ad ipsum alias legitime pertinebant; libros quoque, calices cruces paramenta et queque alia oportuna ornamenta, ceu cathedralem decebat ecclesiam sibi pia liberalitate donauit; ac vltra primitus institutas Quatuor alias dignitates, Triginta duos Canonicatus, totidemque prebendas, alios quoque Archidiaconatus, et officia in ea erexit; ita vt qui suis exigentibus meritis in ipsius quam dotauit ornauitque Saresberiensis ecclesie post decessum primi episcopi fuit ordinatus Antistes, incredibili perfectione et gratia, necnon sancti spiritus lumine illustratus, non solum doctrina verbi, ac operibus optimis pariter, et exemplis commissum sibi gregem dominicum informaret, ipsamque ecclesiam, cui digne preerat, illiusque Capitulum et personas sacris dogmatibus insigniret, vt nusquam magis quam suo in tempore discipline censura, morum honestas, et grauitas personarum in ea uigeret; sed ne promiscuis actibus rerum turbarentur officia, ac in diuinis aliqua posset in antea suboriri confusio, librum quendam perutilem et proficuum, ordinalem alias consuetudinalem appellatum, quo fere vniuerse ipsius Anglie Wallie et Hibernie ac aliorum quamplurium locorum utuntur ecclesie, necnon sanctorum vitas, pro eorum gloria et cleri instructione, composuit, atque alia quamplurima imitando posteris exempla continuo prebuit, ita vt diuinum potius quam humanum eum cuncti putarent, quem diuina miseratio tot gratiarum muneribus illustrabat. Erat namque vir tocius prudencie, humilitatis, et patiencie, pietate magnificus, pudicitia et castitate ornatus, sobrietate et abstinentia preditus, bonitate

Canonicatus et Prebendas erigit.

Episcopus Saresberiensis ordinatur.

Varia edit ingenii sui monumenta.

Eius virtutes.

conspicuus, laudabilis sanctitate, morum honestate virtutibusque preclarus, semper in fide constantior, prestantior spe, caritate ardentior, iusticie et equitatis amator, qui carnis illecebras, iactantiam, pompam, et arrogantiam, ac cetera vitia mira animi magnitudine contempsit atque calcauit; et sanctis vsque ad consummacionem corporis continuatis operibus, ac sacramentis ecclesiasticis demum rite preceptis, in confessione vere fidei et eterne trinitatis firmiter perseuerans, puram et immaculatam animam reddidit creatori. Cuius quidem meritis summus et *Miracula.* omnipotens creator, omnium deus remunerator animarum fidelium, cecis visum, surdis auditum, mutis loquele officium, claudis gressum, naufragis periclitantibusque portum salutis restituit, et indulsit, ab immundis quoque spiritibus obsessos, furiosos, rabidos, et amentes, atque diabolica fraude oppressos penitus liberauit, diuersarum quoque egritudinum incurabilium mole subactis, paraliticis, contractis, tremulis, languidis, validis, et infirmis sanitatem restituit, et quod admiratione maxima dignum est, plures mortuos suscitauit. Alia etiam multa miracula, que ipsius sancti meritis et precibus sublimis deus operatus est et operatur in dies, si per singula recensere vellemus, longa nimium in ipsorum recitacione prolixitas resultaret. Sed ne *Acta.* quidem ea, que preclara et admiranda sunt deuotis fidelibus illius, singula gesta legere cupientibus abscondita fiant, libellum, in quo omnia fideliter annotari curauimus, vna cum processibus super premissis confectis, quos in Archiuio ipsius ecclesie ad perpetuam rei memoriam conseruari mandauimus, poterunt lectitare. Verum quia idem paraclitus spiritus, qui mentem huius presulis sui luminis claritate repleuit, et que sacrosancte ecclesie catholice profutura preuidet, diu latere non sinit, bone memorie Ricardum episcopum, necnon decanum et capitulum dicte ecclesie Saresberiensis, ac alios plurimos graues deoque deuotos viros inspirauit diuinitus, vt sancte sedi apostolice premissa omnia nota facerent, ac eidem sedi, cui tunc felicis recordationis Gregorius papa IX predecessor noster presidebat, humiliter sup- *Gregorius IX pro canonizacione supplicatur.* plicarent, vt prius per illos viros graues et expertos, quibus id duceret committendum, de sanctimonia vite, virtutibus, ac miraculis eiusdem episcopi receptis informationibus, et testibus fidedignis, prout tante rei grauitas exigebat, cum sanctorum de Cathalogo ascribere dignaretur; idem precessor intendens in huiusmodi causa iuxta rei magnitudinem cum debita deliberacione

et maturitate procedere, bone memorie Bathoniensi et Couentrensi episcopis, ac Abbati Monasterii de Stanley, eorum propriis nominibus non expressis, suis dedit literis in mandatis, vt super vita et miraculis huiusmodi diligenter inquirerent, et se informarent, ac quicquid per inquisitionem et informacionem huiusmodi de sanctimonia atque miraculis eiusdem antistitis inuenirent veritate fulciri, et totum exinde formatum processum eorum sigillis munitum ad eundem predecessorem remitterent per eum examinandum secundum exigenciam et continenciam inuentorum.

Processus. Postmodum vero prefati commissarii ad executionem literarum dicti predecessoris iuxta commissionis formam eius traditam super hiis, que pro huiusmodi veritate inuestiganda necessaria erant, legitime procedentes, ac de sanctimonia vite, et miraculis dicti Osmundi Episcopi diligentius inquirentes, nonnullos testes, bone opinionis et fame, cum ea qua decebat attencione et diligentia examinarunt, quorum depositiones et attestaciones in autenticis scripturis redacte, in Archiuio dicte ecclesie conseruate per certa tempora remanserunt. Et licet ex post varietate temporum, ac plerisque aliis causantibus impedimentis, in huiusmodi causa vlterius processum non fuisset, nichilominus postmodum canonizationis causa predicta coram bone memorie Angelo Corrario in

Ad Gregorium XII et Martinum V res perducitur. vniuersali ecclesia Episcopo tunc Gregorio XII in sua obedientia de qua partes ille tunc erant, nuncupato primo, et successiue pro parte bone memorie Iohannis Episcopi, ac dilectorum filiorum decani et capituli Saresberiensis coram pie memorie Martino pape V etiam predecessore nostra proposita, ac premissis omnibus et singulis exordiis recensitis, et etiam pro eorum parte subiuncto, quod ipsi, qui dignum existimantes thesaurum longo tempore absconditum Christi fidelibus debere ostendi, vt tanquam lucerna lucens ad aliorum exempla et instructionem pateret, cupiebant, pro exaltacione nominis Christi ac splendore gloria et honore ipsius Saresberiensis ecclesie, vt super premissis ad examinationem eiusdem processus, et alia dictam causam concernentia vsque ad canonizationem eiusdem sancti viri procederetur ; idem Martinus predecessor, prout rei grauitas et magnitudo poscebat, bone memorie Iacobo Tergestino in regno Anglie apostolice sedis nuntio, et Wintoniensi ac Herfordensi episcopis, suis literis dedit in mandatis, vt processus super premissis vita et miraculis per eosdem commissarios habitos et formatos auctoritate sua cum debita maturitate et grauitate, prout tante rei conueniret, recen-

sentes et examinantes ac in formam autenticam redigentes, de premissis omnibus, et eorum circumstantiis vniuersis se informarent, et inquirerent diligencius veritatem. Et nichilominus ad receptionem testium probationum, et informationum fidedignorum, prout expediens esse cognoscerent, in ipsa causa ad ulteriora procederent, prout eorum discretioni videretur. Voluit tamen, quod totum in ipsa causa tam per eosdem primos iudices formatum, quam secundos auctoritate sua formandos processus in publica et autentica forma eorum sigillis monitos per proprium nuntium ad ipsum Martinum predecessorem destinare curarent, vt veris existentibus supradictis ipse predecessor super canonizatione huiusmodi in forma ecclesie consueta, seruatis de more solemnitatibus deliberare valeret. Qui quidem commissarii mandata apostolica in singulis diligentius exequentes, vltra primos aliis quamplurimis testibus idoneis diligenter examinatis, eorum dicta, et attestaciones, ac per eos habitos aliosque priores processus predictos ad Romanam curiam transmiserunt. Idemque Martinus predecessor ad humiles preces Episcopi, decani, et capituli predictorum, Gabrieli tituli sancti Clementis, postea Eugenio pape IV, ac Petro, tituli sancti Stephani in Celio monte presbiteris, et Lucido sancte Marie in Cosmedin diacono cardinalibus, etiam in consisterio suo publico uiue vocis oraculo commisit, vt in dicta causa procederent, et apertis processibus eos diligenter examinarent, sibique postea ex more referrent ad effectum canonizationis predicte. Qui seruatis seruandis recognitisque sigillis processus huiusmodi aperuerunt, monentes omnes et singulos, qui in hiis interesse aliquod habere pretenderent, vt ad diem certam tunc expressam legitime comparerent, aliaque deinde fecerunt que circa ea fuerant oportuna. Cumque rei huius veritate comperta idem Martinus predecessor votis poscentium cogitaret annuere, sicuti altissimo placuit e medio sublatus est. Et licet recolende memorie Eugenius prefatus similiter predecessor noster rem hanc, vt accepimus optato fine concludere velle assereret, morte antea interceptus quod proposuerat non adimpleuit. Denique felicis recordationis Nicolaus papa V predecessor etiam noster immediatus plurimorum supplicationibus inclinatus, quod in similibus sedes apostolica obseruare consueuerat, et rei qualitas expetebat, nobis, tunc in minoribus constitutis, ac dilecto filio nostro Dominico tituli Sancte Crucis in Ierusalem presbitero cardinali negotium ipsum

Transmittuntur processus ad sedem Apostolicam.

Martinus V, Eugenius IV, et Nicolaus V. e vivis decedunt.

examinandum, investigandum, discutiendumque commisit, in quo debita cum diligentia procedentes, cuncta que in premissis, et circa ea quomodolibet oportuna erant, cum omni attencione et maturitate rimari et inuestigare curauimus, ac postremo, eodem Nicolao predecessore, vocante domino, similiter rebus ab humanis exempto, Nos qui eidem licet insufficientibus meritis in vniuersalis ecclesie gubernatione successimus, iteratis vicibus pro parte Carissimi in Christo filii nostri Henrici VI Anglie regis Illustris, ac Carissime in Christo filie Margarete Regine Anglie illius conthoralis, necnon prelatorum, principum, et Christifidelium dicti regni, ac etiam venerabilis fratris nostri Ricardi moderni Episcopi, dilectorumque filiorum Gilberti Kymar decani, et Capituli Saresberiensis ecclesie memorate fuimus debita cum instantia requisiti, vt quod iidem nostri predecessores minime adimpluerant, et nobis faciendum altissimus reseruauit, proficere annuente domino dignaremur ; quorum omnium tam efficax assertio, et crebra dilecti filii Magistri Iohannis Lax, legem doctoris, et secretarii nostri, ac dictorum Episcopi et Capituli procuratoris intercessio fuit, vt non immerito nos, qui licet tante rei excellentiam sepenumero mente voluerimus, eamque humeris nostris imparem esse conspexerimus. Ne tamen voluntati diuine contradicere videremur, premissa omnia et singula ponderantes, necnon eiusdem antistitis fidem, vite integritatem, mores, actus castissimos, humilitatem, simplicitatem, doctrinam, liberalitatem, maxime erga Saresberiensem ecclesiam memoratam illiusque personas, et que a Trecentis et pluribus annis citra coruscarunt miracula plurimaque alia adminicula non minora, tam per autenticas scripturas, quam per fidedignorum etiam septuaginta quinque testium depositiones manifeste probata, famam quoque publicam ac preterea Triginta famosissimorum sacre pagine et vtriusque iuris doctorum, quorum nonnulli Episcopi, quidam referendarii, ceteri vero prelati palatii apostolici Auditores, aduocati consistoriales, ac magne auctoritatis viri astiterunt consilia, que omnia in vnam eandemque sententiam pro ipsius canonizatione antistitis conueniunt, merito attendentes, vt tanto viro gloriam, quam diuina testificatione iam in Triumphante obtinebat ecclesia, in militante nequaquam negaremus in terris premissa omnia in consistorio nostro per dilectum filium nostrum Guillelmum tituli sancti Martini in montibus presbiterum Cardinalem, quem loco nostro quoad hoc substituimus, fecimus

Anglie Regis aliorumque preces.

particulariter recitari, scrutatisque deinde in eodem consistorio votis omnium venerabilium fratrum nostrorum sancte Romane Ecclesie Cardinalium, ac omnibus debite recensitis, iidem fratres nostri in eandem sententiam conuenerunt, quorum secuti consilium, vt illud plurimorum sententiis firmaretur, omnes alios in Romana curia residentes prelatos in palatio nostro iussimus congregari, qui post propositionem publicam omnium premissorum, votis etiam singulorum ex more scrutatis, nemine discrepante vna nobiscum et fratribus antedictis consuluerunt, et censuerunt ad canonizationem dicti viri optimi fore procedendum. In quorum presentia, de eorumdem consilio et assensu, decreuimus, et declarauimus, eundem Osmundum Episcopum esse canonizandum, ad quod publice et solemniter faciendum diem statuimus hodiernam. Et quoniam per excellentia merita vir iste insignis, almi spiritus gratia operante, in ipsius summi patris gloria collocatus hanc eandem militantem illustrat ecclesiam, prout omnibus, qui eius gesta didicerint, debet esse notissimum. Nos qui ex debito pastoralis officii cunctis fidelibus debitores existimus, per ea que de Gregorii, Martini, et Nicolai predecessorum eorumdem ac nostro postremo mandatis super hiis inquisita, inuestigata, et examinata fuerunt, et que in minoribus constituti pre ceteris singulari deuotione et attencione iteratis vicibus relegimus, inuestigauimus, examinauimus, et diligentius fuimus perscrutati, tam per ipsorum fidedignorum testium depositiones, quam alias premissis veris existentibus compertis ac etiam comprobatis, de ipsius Osmundi Episcopi sanctimonia plenissime informati certioresque effecti quod optima fuerit negotiatio eius, et talenta sibi credita cum multiplicato fructu suo restituit creatori, de quibus etiam sibi fidele testimonium perhibemus, vt propterea ac ex multis aliis excellentibus donis et gratiis, quibus extitit insignitus, super candelabrum domus domini positus in vniuersali ecclesia inextinguibili lumine et splendore rutilet, eam quoque sua claritate exornet. In nomine sancte et indiuidue Trinitatis, patris, et filii, et spiritus sancti, prefatum Osmundum Episcopum celeberrimum benedicentes benedicamus in secula, floreatque super eum sanctificatio nostra, et ad honorem sempiterne deitatis, ac triumphantis et militantis ecclesie exaltationem, orthodoxe quoque Christiane fidei felicem statum et augmentum auctoritate omnipotentis dei atque beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum eius, atque nostra, de ipsorum fratrum coepiscop-

Canonizatio.

orum et prelatorum vnanimi concilio et assensu, pronuntiamus, declaramus, decernimus, ac etiam diffinimus, pie memorie beatum Osmundum Episcopum antedictum sanctum esse, et tanquam sanctum ab vniuersali ecclesia et cunctis fidelibus venerari, ac sanctorum Cathalogo ascribendum fore, et ascribi debere, quem ipsi impresentiarum ascribimus et sanctorum cetui aggregamus. Statuentes, ac etiam venerabilibus fratribus nostris Patriarchis, Archiepiscopis, et Episcopis, ac dilectis filiis electis, et patriarchialium, metropolitanarum et cathedralium ecclesiarum Capitulis vbilibet constitutis tenore presentium iniungentes, vt anno quolibet in die qua sanctum ipsum post consummacionem laborum triumphatumque mundum in eternitates perpetuas presens vita transmisit videlicet Pridie Nonas Decembris, festum ipsius, et officium veluti pro vno confessore Pontifice deuote ac solemniter celebrent, et ab aliis celebrari, ac ab vniuersis ecclesiis et Christifidelibus facient venerari. Et vt ad Saresberiensem ecclesiam predictam, ipsiusque venerabilem tumulum, quem in digniori loco volumus preparari, eo libentius Christifidelium confluat multitudo, eiusque memoria recolatur, et festiuitas celebretur decentius in futurum, eisdem fidelibus vniversis vtriusque sexus vere penitentibus et confessis, qui ecclesiam Sarisberiensem prefatam, et ipsius gloriosi Confessoris tumulum in festiuitate eius et per totam Octauam immediate sequentem deuote visitauerint annuatim, et ad ipsius ecclesie atque tumuli reparationem, ornamentum, et conseruationem, seu dicte ecclesie fabricam manus porrexerint adiutrices, in festiuitate predicta a primis vesperis illius vigilie vsque ad secundas vesperas eiusdem festiuitatis decem in singulis vero Octaue diebus tres annos, et totidem quadragenas de iniunctis eis penitenciis misericorditer in domino relaxamus presentibus perpetuis futuris temporibus duraturis. Quocirca vniuersitatem vestram monemus, requirimus et hortamur attente vobis nichilominus in virtute sancte obedientie, et ad eternorum premiorum augmentum districtius iniungentes, quatinus presentes literas vniuersis cleris et populis vestrarum ciuitatum at que dioceseum auctoritate nostra solemniter publicantes, festum venerabilis Episcopi et Confessoris huiusmodi cum solemnitate debita celebretis, et faciatis etiam ab aliis celebrari, omnipotentem deum, a quo cuncta bona procedunt, totis cordis affectibus humiliter deprecantes, vt ipse eiusdem Almi Confessoris precibus

Festum et officium dies 4 Decembris indicitur.

Indulgentie concedantur.

Preces iniungantur.

et meritis exoratus militantem ecclesiam, et cunctos Christifideles predictos a paganorum et aliorum infidelium tueatur incursibus, et a periculis cunctis semper protegat et defendat, ac illam quam nobis mundus dare non potest pacem, hostium eorumdem sublata formidine, cum temporum tranquillitate concedat, et post vite militiam, depositumque pastoralis officii ministerium vna cum grege nobis credito ad gaudia valeamus peruenire eterna. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostrorum pronunciacionis, declarationis, constitucionis, diffinitionis, ascriptionis, aggregationis, statuti, iniunctionis, voluntatis, relaxationis, monitionis, requisitionis, et hortacionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit indignationem omnipotentis dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum eius se nouerit incursurum. Datum Rome apud sanctum Petrum Anno Incarnationis dominice Millesimo Quadringentesimo quinquagesimo sexto Kalendis Ianuarii Pontificatus nostri anno secundo.

Sanctio penalis.

Datum Rome Ao. 1456 kal Jan. Pontif Ao 2.

APPENDIX II.

Collacio facta per Magistrum Ricardum Vllerston[a] *pro canonizacione predicta.*

Exaltent eum in ecclesia, ps° cvi°. Auctoritates ad materiam thematis pertinentes, Hodie incipiam exaltare te coram omni Israel, iii Reg: xiiii. Exaltaui te de medio populi mei, (accipitur in malo,) iii Reg: xvi. Exaltare te de puluere, ps° xxx. Exaltabo te domine quoniam suscepisti me, ps° xxxv. Exaltabit te vt hereditate capias terram, [b]lxxxvii. Exaltaui electum de plebe mea, cxvii. Dextera domini exaltauit me,[c] in eodem. Ne derelinquas me ne forte exaltentur, prou: iiii^to. Excipe eam et exaltabit te, Ecc^ci xv. Exaltabit illum apud proximos, super sapientiam xliii. Exaltate illum quantum potestis, li. Exaltasti super terram habitacionem meam, Luc: p°. Et exaltauit humiles, luc: xiv et xviii. Qui se exaltat humiliabitur, Jacobi iii°.[d] Humiliamini et exaltabit vos, P^m Pet: v^to. Humiliamini sub potenti manu dei vt vos exaltet in tempore visitacionis. Exaltent eum in ecclesia ps° cvi^to, Reuerendi patres confratres et domini, vt appareat quanta sit distancia quantaque discrepancia inter iudicia diuina et humana, ita nobis eloquitur dominus organo vocis prophetalis, quinquagesimo capitulo Ysaie, "sicut exaltantur," inquit, "celi a "terra, ita exaltate sunt vie mee a viis vestris, et cogitaciones mee "a cogitacionibus vestris." Adeo etenim diuersa et aduersa sunt seipsis iudicia diuina et humana, vt quod altum est apud homines abhominacio sit apud deum, vt testatur ipsemet saluator capitulo Luce sextodecimo. Quo contra nonnunquam que sunt abiectiss-

[a] Richard Ullerston was collated to the prebend of Axford 25th March, 1416, and admitted into Residence 17th Dec. the same year. He was Chancellor of the University of Oxford 1407-8. He wrote, at the request of Bishop Halam, of Salisbury, sixteen "Petitiones pro Ecclesie Militantis Reformatione," which were printed in Von der Hardt's "Concilium Constantiense (i. 1126). A commentary on the Psalms by him is among Lord Mostyn's MSS. (Hist. MSS. Comm., 4th Report. Appendix, p. 349). He also wrote a treatise, "De Officio Militari," for the instruction of Henry V. when Prince of Wales. (See Dict. of Nat. Biog.). This sermon was preached 4th May, 1416.

[b] Psalm lxxxviii. in the Vulgate.

[c] Psalm cxxxix. in the Vulgate.

[d] Should be iiii°.

ima apud homines sunt electissima aput deum, quod luculenter ostendit apostolus Paulus Cor: primo, "videte," inquit "vocacionem vestram fratres, Quia non multi sapientes secundum "carnem, non multi potentes, non multi nobiles, sed que stulta "sunt mundi elegit deus vt confundat sapientes. Et infirma "mundi elegit deus vt confundat fortia, et ignobilia et contempti-"bilia elegit deus et ea que non sunt vt ea que sunt destrueret "vt non glorietur omnis caro in conspectu eius," non solum dicta sunt hec sed et facta in gracie commendacionem quatinus per hoc euidenter appareat gracie prerogatiua et quanto facultatem nature transcendit Gracia, ac in quanto dona gratuita excedunt tam dona naturalia quam fortune figuram huius habemus in veteri scriptura de comparacione Egipti de qua exierant filii Israel ad terram promissionis. Dicit enim dominus de filiis Israel Ezechiel xx° in commendacionem terre promissionis per hunc modum "In die illa leuaui manum meam pro "eis vt educerem eos de terra Egipti in terram quam prouideram "eis fluentem lacte et melle que est egregia inter omnes terras," et infra in eodem capitulo dicit quod "est omnium terrarum pre-"cipua." Nichilominus, vt dicit doctor de Lira in hoc loco, quod audiuit ab hiis qui fuerunt in Egipto et in Iudea quod Egiptus est et amenior et fertilior quam sit Iudea. Sed quomodo inquis stant ista si litera reuera sit, vt scilicet Egiptus sit elegantior per naturam sed Iudea sit magis egregia per graciam in ea diuinitus demonstratam. Hoc vtique presensit Moyses legislator xi° capitulo Deuteronomii ita inquens "terra enim ad "quam ingredieris possidendam non est sicut terra Egipti de qua "existi, vbi iacto semine in ortorum morem aque ducuntur "irrigue, sed montuosa est et campestris de celo expectans "pluuias, quam dominus deus tuus semper invisit, et oculi eius "in ea sunt a primo anni vsque ad finem eius." Eo quod omnia ista sint ex gracia, vide ex eo quod sequitur, "si igitur" inquit "obedieritis mandatis meis vt diligatis dominum deum verum "et seruatis ei in toto corde vestro et in totam animam vestram, "dabit pluuiam terre vestre temporaneam et serotinam vt colligatis frumentum et vinum et oleum fenum ex agris ad pascenda "iumenta, vt et ipsi comedatis et saturemini." Amplius et quod omnia hec ex gracia dependeant audi sequencia. "Cauete ne "forte decipiatur cor vestrum et recedatis a domino seruiatisque "diis alienis et adoretis eos, Iratusque deus claudat celum

"et pluuie non descendant, nec terra det gramen suum, "pereatisque velociter de terra optima quam daturus est "vobis dominus." Igitur antequam vlterius procedimus rogemus rectorem vniuersi, tocius Gracie largitorem, qui posuit desertum in stagna aquarum et terram sine aqua in exitus aquarum, quatinus imbre suo celito irriget aridam cordis nostri vt aliquid pronunc dicere valeam quod ad frugem melioris vite vos excitet, orando insuper, vt est moris, pro statu tocius ecclesie ortodoxe et precipue pro felici expedicione generalis consilii iam instantis,[a] et specialiter pro domino nostro Episcopo huius sedis qui nedum plures sed maiores sudores sustinuit pro vnitate ecclesie statuenda quam aliquis prelatus tocius orbis, de quo constat non solum et pro ipso sed pro domino nostro decano cunctisque confratribus ac ministris huius ecclesie. Quo ad partem et temporalem, specialem memoriam habebitis in oracionibus vestris pro Christianissimo rege Romanorum Sygismundo qui velut alter Machabeus stat zelatissime pro ecclesia. Orabitis insuper pro invictissimo rege nostro Anglie Henrico quinto milite Christi fidelissimo et maximo pacis zelatore, quatinus dominus ipsum consocietur et in piis propositis ipsum roboret, et pro cunctis quoque fidelibus viuis et defunctis et pro gracia nobis in presenti necessaria dicat quilibet mente deuota oracionem dominicam cum salutacione angelica. "Exaltent eum "in ecclesia," vt supra, Quatinus enim verba thematis preassumpta dicta erant per os Dauid ad exhortandum filios Israel quatinus ipsi magnificarent deum qui eis in tot et tantis benefecit, nichilominus possunt ex similibus causis per extensionem applicari ad presentes, ad ceteros incolas huius regni, immo tempore precedente ad cunctos fideles orbis terre, vt et ipsi magnificent sedis huius fundatorem et patronum beatissimum videlicet Osmundum, vt sic presens precacio prorumpat racionabiliter in hec verba, "Exaltent eum in ecclesia," exaltent igitur eum cuncti prefati in ecclesia. In quibus viget discrecio et qui sapiunt ea que sunt spiritus et non carnis exaltent ipsi, ipsos nec decet exaltare modicum, nec vt dicit Aristoteles primo rhetoricorum est honorari a paruis vel a bestiis sed a quo aliquibus prestantur non pauca sed multa, non parua sed grandia beneficia, exaltent eum qui eis taliter benefecit. Retribuere namque oportet ei qui graciam fecit vt vult idem Aristoteles vt supra, talis enim est felix Osmundus

[a] The Council of Constance.

de quo sermo, verumque talia non debent latere sub modio sed palam candelabro superponi, quatinus sint omnibus manifesta, propterea hii de quibus prefati sumus exaltent eum in ecclesia, "Exaltent" igitur "eum in ecclesia." In presentibus quippe vt estimo viget discrecio, et ea que sunt spiritus sentiunt, presertim cum ductu spiritus et non carnis sunt in hunc locum congregati. Eis quoque multa beneficia prestitit beatissimus presul Osmundus, de quo nunc ad vos sermo, que vtique sunt apud plurimos manifesta ideo hii precipue exaltent eum in ecclesia, "Exaltent eum in ecclesia." Auctoritate siquidem Iustiniani sic scriptum est institucionibus de iure naturali gentium et ciuili, siue ius quo vtimur vel ad personas pertinet vel ad res vel ad actiones. Conformiter inquam in negocio iam instanti tota solicitudo nostra versari debet circa personas circa res et circa actiones. Circa personas quidem et precipue circa personam venerabilis patris patroni nostri Osmundi, circa res ecclesie prouide tractandas, necnon et circa actiones inchoandas prosequendas et complendas. Attamen relictis secundo et tercio in capitulo pertractandis interest nostram pro presenti tum primum horum prosequi. Licet enim vt pie credimus sit iam dictus dominus plene sui iuris in ecclesia triumphante quo ad animam, et tum quo ad ecclesiam militantem alieni iuris quo ad corpus quod subiacet eius disposicioni quantum ad modum et formam quam debet eius meritis exigentibus honorificentius exaltari necnon in sanctorum cathalogo eius memoria ueneraris. Et signanter dico quod eius meritis exigentibus conuenit hoc fieri. Consonum enim est hoc fieri propter huius ecclesie plantacionem pariter et eius ampliorem dotacionem tum propter sacram eius institucionem, sed maxime propter eius sanctitatem crebris miraculis attestatam. Dico primo quod iustum est et ratio exigit Egregium virum Osmundum sanctorum cathalogo ascribi ac per hoc sacram glebam sui corporis magis honorifice tumulari, propter huius ecclesie plantacionem ac eius dotacionem vberiorem, plantauit enim eam et fundauit in castro Sarum numero xxxii prebendarum de bonis per eum obtentis anno domini M°XCI° quam vtique egregie dotauit prout liquet ex carta donacionis sue signata sigillo illustrissimi regis Willelmi Conquestoris ac eciam per subscriptiones regis comitum et baronum et aliorum regni Anglie procerum prout moris erat tunc temporis roborata. Sic enim fecisse non paruum est, ex hoc etenim sancto non solum quia causa

sed quia cooperator tot bonorum erat in merito, erat et eorumdem particeps in primo, prout lucide declarat beatus Gregorius omelia quarta exponens illud euangelii, " Qui recipit prophetam in " nomine prophete mercedem prophete accipiet," Quod est inquit dicere mercedem prophete accipiet, nisi quia is qui prophetam sua largitate sustentat quamuis ipse prophetiam non habeat apud omnipotentem tamen dominum prophetie prima habebit. Et hoc probat tali racione. Qui inquit spiritualia dona habentibus temporalia subsidia tribuit in ipsis donis spiritualibus cooperator existit, hoc vtique declarat per exemplum de vlmo, fructum inquit proprium non habet vlmus portare tamen vitem cum fruetu solet. Iste tamen benedictus pater et patronus non solum vlmus extitit sed vitis, quia non vitis proprium sed profecto quia vlmus singlorum protulit fructum. Magna igitur gloria dignus extat qui tamen profecit vinea domini vt non solum fructum afferret in seipso sed eciam vt totam vineam supportaret. Nec valet dicere quemadmodum aiunt insani capitis nostri temporis quod sunt doctores ecclesie et de dotacionibus huius victitantes, in ea parte peccauerunt nam quatuor doctores ecclesie principales de ecclesia dotata victum sumpserunt. Ieronimus quidam tanquam presbiter Cardinalis ecclesie Romane ante sua tempora in temporalibus dotate, Ambrosius vero pessimis ecclesiasticarum inuasoribus restitit sicut patet in epistola sua imperatori directa in hac materia responsiua, et tangitur in canone[a] xxiii q viii *Conuenior*, sed et piissimus Augustinus ampliacionem dotacionis ecclesie procurauit sicut patet in epistola sua ad Olimpum. Ac Gregorius stirpe nobilis et abundans patrimonio construxit septem monasteria, sex videlicet in Sicilia et septimum intra menia vrbis Rome. Si autem ista tibi non satisfaciant audi Christum ecce quid dicit. Dicit namque Christus sancte Brigide secundum quod ipsa recitat in libro sexto celestium reuelacionum ipsi Brigide ostensarum sic, " Ego" inquit "et amici mei " dotauimus ecclesiam meam vt clerici quietius orarent michi." Aut igitur nega Christum aut certe fatere cum ecclesia catholica quod fideles nostra tempora precedentes multum meruerunt quando ecclesiam Christi possessionibus temporalium munierunt. Quia igitur presens ecclesia per patrem nostrum Osmundum vt

[a] The full reference to Corpus Juris Canonici is: Decreti Secunda Pars Causa xxiii (De re militari et bello), Quaestio viii (De episcopis etc ut non arripere arma valeant etc) Cap 21 *Ecclesiae Imperatoribus non sint obnoxiae.* Vnde Ambrosius ad Marcellinam sororem epistola 33. " Convenior ipse a " comitibus et tribunis" etc.

audistis est dotata, propterea hii qui hec nouerunt exaltent eum in ecclesia. Dixi insuper quod deuotissimus patronus noster Osmundus est merito exaltandus in ecclesia propter sacram eius institucionem, sacram autem eius institucionem voco vsum ecclesie Sarum electissimum cui quidem vsui nullus alius vsus ecclesiasticus in toto orbe est ex equo comparabilis nec derogat quod vsus iste quod ad alios est nouissime adinuentus immo ceteris paribus plus perfectionem eius arguit, philosophia namque Aristotelis est eo profectior quo eliminatis antiquorum erroribus medullam summarum receptam in opusculis eorumdem potuit suis conceptibus immiscere, verum et eos laudat de quanto viam perueniendi ad perfectionem sciencie prebuerunt qua alii postea compleuerunt, sicut patet porro methaphysice in primo secundum textum Auerrois in secundo methaphysice iuxta textum Aristotelis, sic enim fecit iste zelatissimus dei seruitor visis siquidem maioris reputationis multis vsibus, queque que in eis erant pociora queve eleganciora et electiora collegit in forma ordinatissimaque redegit et sic ecclesie sue seruanda tradidit. Ex simili namque forma faciendi capitur argumentum ad probandum quod ritus et obseruancie ecclesie Anglicane essent perfectiores quam alibi terrarum in ecclesia Christiana. Scribit enim beatus Gregorius, conuersor gentis nostre, Augustino Anglorum episcopo modo quo sequitur et ponit in canone[a] d xi *nouit*, " Nouit" inquit " fraternitas tua Romane ecclesie consuetudinem in qua " se meminit nutritam, sed mihi placet siue in Romana siue " Galliarum siue in qualibet ecclesia inuenisti quod plus omni- " potenti Deo possit placere, solicite eligas, et in Anglorum eccle- " sia, que adhuc in fide noua est, institucione precipua que de " multis ecclesiis colligere potueris infundas. Ex singulis igitur " quibusque ecclesiis que pia, que religiosa, que recta sunt " elige, et hec quasi in fasiculum collecta, apud Anglorum " mentes in consuetudinem depone," hoc Gregorius. Si igitur obseruancia ecclesie Anglicane vt iam persuasimus inter ceteras est precipua et obseruancia huius vsus primatum sibi vendicat in iam dicta ecclesia, sequitur quod vsus noster Sarum inter quoscunque vsus in orbe terrarum est precipuus. Quanta igitur queso veneracione quantave honorificencia et quanta gloria est

[a] The full reference to Corpus Juris Canonici is : Decreti Prima Pars, Distinctio xii (Quod absque discretione iustitiae nulli agere licet) Cap x (*Non locus consuetudinem sed consuetudo locum commendat*). Item Gregorius ad Augustinum Anglorum Episcopum resp : 3.

iste vir eroicus extollendus qui sic cultum dei et ampliauit et decorauit. O igitur virum honorificencie, o virum gloriose memorie! o virum felicis industrie! quis in tuis laudibus posset excedere? Quis vltra medum commendare? immo quis ad condignum collaudare? Nichilominus qui non valent ei rependere condigna laudium preconia saltem pro modulo suo exaltent eum in ecclesia.

Dixi enim vltimo et finaliter quod miles iste Christi Gloriosus pater noster Osmundus est iusto exaltandus in ecclesia propter eius sanctitatem crebris miraculis attestatam, fecit enim nedum mirabilia verum et miracula in vita sua. Et quidem non pauca sed multa, non parua sed grandia, non consueta sed insolita, et non tamen paucis cognita sed multis oculata fide visa; sanauit enim diu languentes paraliticos, distortos ore redegit ad effigiem naturalem, et rupturam circa membra genitalia in pristinam continuitatem reduxit, per ipsum autem a dolore dentium sanatorum non est numerus. Irreuerenter et quemdam suo tumulo insedentem dolore capitis percussit, quem postea inde penitentem et humiliatum sospitati restituit. Quid plura, furiosos fecit mentis compotes, arentibus vberibus lactis abundanciam prebuit, et quod istis amplius est extinctos per mortem resuscitauit; nec ista que iam retulimus sunt sompniata, sed firmissimis attestacionibus sunt probata, et iam dudum per predecessorum nostrorum insinuacionem apud summum pontificem pro veris miraculis acceptata. Quod igitur canonizacio huius gloriosi viri tam diu dilata est, et vsque ad tempora nostra non perfecta, non audeo ascribere segnitiei aut ignauie predecessorum nostrorum in hac ecclesia, sed pocius opinari volo quod diuino nutu factum sit, vt eius execucio sit nostris temporibus reseruata in confutacionem illorum qui non solum impugnant dotacionem ecclesie, sed et vsus ab ecclesia approbatos et sanctorum miracula parimpediunt. Et sic per Dei graciam que vsque in presens sunt suspensa erunt per operam nostram execucioni demandata, et vt vtar verbis apostoli ad Hebreos xi° " Deo pro nobis aliquid melius prouidente vt non sine nobis consummarentur." Istud igitur negocium perlibatum attemptare prosequi et ad sui laudem consummare concedat qui sine fine viuit et regnat.

[*Endorsed*]

Collacio facta pro canonizacione
beati Osmundi per Magistrum Vllerstone.

APPENDIX III.

Modus Recipiendi Aliquam honestam vel nobilem personam in fratrem seu sororem Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum.

In primis congregentur decanus seu eius locum tenens cum confratribus suis in domum Capitularem, et si voluerint propter maiorem solempnitatem actus, convocentur omnes vicarii chorales et ceteri ministri in eundem locum, et ponatur pannus honestus siue tapetum et pulvinar super pavimentum in medio ante sedem decani et canonicorum prout fieri solet in receptione canonicorum eiusdem ecclesie. Et tunc presentet se coram decano seu eius locum tenente vel presidente et confratribus desiderans admitti in fratrem vel sororem et ceterorum suffragiorum et bonorum operum ipsius ecclesie, et humiliter ac deuote petat se ad premissa recipi et admitti. Et post aliqualem interuallum et mutuam communicacionem factam de predicta admissione et beneplacito capituli in premissis, assumat dominus decanus vt premittitur inter manus suas dextram manum fratris vel sororis taliter recipiendi, et dicat in latinis siue vulgari vt sequitur.

" Consuetudo istius ecclesie est quod Recipiendus in fratrem et " sororem promittat fidelitatem ecclesie et quod libertates privi- " legia et iura eiusdem obseruabit et in quantum potest obseruari " procurabit et defendet."

Qua promissione siue iuramento facto, Legat dominus decanus seu eius locum tenens super fratrem vel sororem taliter admissum.

" Nos Decanus et Capitulum admittimus te et recipimus" etc (seu presidens aut locum tenens etc.)

Et tunc surgant Decanus et Capitulum, et chorus si presens fuerit, et incipiatur ympnus " Veni Creator," et dicatur siue decantetur alternatim vsque in finem eiusdem, fratre vel sorore interim genuflectente seu cubante super predictum pannum siue tapetum, et dicantur preces sequentes.

" Veni sancte spiritus reple tuorum corda fidelium et tui " amoris" etc

" Emitte spiritum tuum et creabuntur" etc

Oracio. " Protector deus in te sperantium sine quo nichil est " validum nichil sanctum multiplica super nos et hunc (vel hanc)

" famulum tuum N : misericordiam tuam, ut cöoperante spiritu " sancto obsequium humilitatis nostre tibi fiat acceptabile et a " cunctis aduersitatibus corporis et anime perhenniter liberemur " per Christum dominum nostrum."

Quo finito incipiatur psalmus

" Ecce quam bonum et quam iocundum " etc.

" Kyrieeleyson "—Christe—Kyrie."

" Pater noster—et ne nos "

" Ostende nobis domine misericordiam tuam et salutare " etc

" Saluum fac seruum tuum (vel ancillam tuam) deus meus " sperantem in te."

" Memor esto congregacionis tue quam possidistis ab initio "

" Conuertere domine usquequo " etc " et deprecabilis esto " super seruum tuum (vel ancillam tuam)"

" Mitte ei auxilium de sancto" etc

" Nichil proficiat inimicus in eo et filius iniquitatis" etc

" Esto ei domine turris fortitudinis a facie inimici "

" Domine exaudi oracionem meam " etc

" Dominus vobiscum " etc

Oracio. " Pretende domine famulo tuo dextram tui celestis " auxilii vt te toto corde perquirat, et que digne postulat asse- " quatur, per Christum dominum nostrum."

Oremus. " Suscipiat te Deus pater in numero fidelium suorum, " et nos, licet indigni, suscipimus te in oracionibus nostris, con- " cedatque tibi per vnigenitum suum mediatorem dei et hominis " locum bene viuendi et iusticiam bene perseuerandi et ad vite " eterne hereditatem feliciter perueniendi, et sicut te hodie caritas " fraternitatis spiritualiter coniungit in terris ita diuina pietas que " fraterne dilectionis est auctrix et amatrix cum fidelibus suis " coniungere dignetur in celis prestante domino nostro Ihesu " Christo qui cum patre et spiritu sancto viuit et regnat per omnia " secula seculorum "

Quo facto, erigatur frater vel soror et deosculetur omnes canonicos fratres suos, incipiendo a maioribus ex parte domini decani vel eius locum tenentis vel presidentis, deinde diuertat se ad alium partem simili modo faciendo.

[*Formal Admission.*]

" Nos decanus et Capitulum Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum ob " sinceram caritatem et piam deuocionem quas ob reuerenciam " dei et sue gloriose genetricis Marie virginis ad prefatam

" Sarisberiensem geris ecclesiam, te N : in prefate ecclesie et
" nostrum recipimus fratrem ac ad vniversa et singula dicte
" ecclesie et nostre fraternitatis suffragia tenore presentium
" admittimus, volentes et concedentes pro nobis et successoribus
" nostris inperpetuum quod sis particeps et capax tam in vita
" quam in morte omnium Missarum Oracionum Ieiuniorum
" vigiliarum elimosinarum ceterorumque suffragiorum omnium
" que in dicta ecclesia et in cunctis ecclesiis et locis dicte
" ecclesie subiectis fieri solent et fient temporibus perpetuis
" duraturis."

An earlier form of the words of admission, used upon the reception of Thomas Mountagu, Earl of Salisbury, on the 2nd of August, 1427 (Harding Register, fo. lxxxvii. b.), was :—

" In dei nomine Amen, nos locum tenens domini decani
" Sarum de assensu et consensu confratrum nostrorum te
" Dominum Thomam Mountagu Comitem Sarum in confratrem
" istius Ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum recipimus, volentes et
" concedentes quod sis particeps tam in vita quam in morte
" omnium missarum oracionum predicationum ieiuniorum
" abstinentiarum et vigiliarum ceterorumque bonorum operum
" que per nos seu confratres nostros istius ecclesie Canonicos
" eiusdemve vicarios ceterosque huiusmodi ecclesie ministros
" Dominus Ihesus Christus in ista ecclesia Sarum seu in ecclesiis
" et locis eidem subiectis fieri dederit seu concesserit pro sua
" magna pietate perpetuis temporibus duraturis."

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